

A MATTER OF HEALTH



A pretty wedding took place at the home of the bride in York, when Harry Lau of Glen Rock and Lottie Catharine Yohe, of York were united in marriage. Both bride and groom are natives of Adams county and formerly lived in New Oxford.

COLLISION ON THE PENNSY

Local Crashes Into Chicago Limited and Overturns Two Sleepers.
Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—The Chicago limited on the Pennsylvania railroad was run into by a local passenger train in the railroad yards at 44th street and Girard avenue, this city, and several persons were injured. Among those hurt are H. Le Bastian, of Detroit, Mich., who received slight lacerations of the head, and L. M. Beamer, of New York city, who sustained two broken ribs.

The fourth and fifth coaches of the limited, both sleeping cars, were overturned. The other coaches did not leave the tracks. That the accident was not more serious was due to the fact that at the time the wreck occurred most of the passengers travelling in the fourth and fifth cars were in the dining car, which was the third coach of the train.

The accident was due to a switch failing to work, which caused the engine of the local train to cross over to the west-bound track and strike the third and fourth coaches. The overturned coaches caught fire from a lamp on the front of the engine, but the few imprisoned passengers were rescued before the flames had gained much headway.

FLED IN THEIR NIGHT ROBES

Five Houses Topped Off Foundations By Mine Cave-In.
Mahanoy City, Pa., Dec. 20.—By the settling of the surface at Jackson's, near here, the families of Jacob Lambert, Francis Benedict, Frank Collin and Joseph Weir were forced to flee in their night robes to escape being swallowed up in a cave-in. The earth was rent in huge fissures, and the ground subsided several feet. The fitchens of the homes of Benedict and Lambert dropped into the mine. The houses which toppled off the foundations are the property of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company and are located over the workings of this company.

\$200,000 Fire in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—The large three-story building at 919 and 921 Walnut street, occupied by about half a dozen business concerns, was totally destroyed by fire, entailing a loss estimated at \$200,000. Among the occupants of the building, which extended from Walnut to Sansom streets, were Henry T. Coates & Co., the well-known book publishers; Loughhead & Co., printers; H. E. Schultz & Co., millinery and dress trimmings; A. K. Billstein, millinery goods, and D. Klein & Co., tailors. The Irving House, largely patronized by the theatrical profession, and the Racquet Club, which adjoin the burned property, were damaged principally by smoke and water. Thousands of Christmas shoppers were attracted by the sight, and for a time greatly hindered the firemen.

Hoffman, son of a wealthy citizen of Burke county, died at his home, six miles from Morganton, of hydrophobia. Hoffman and his brother both were bitten on November 8. They went to Baltimore and were given three weeks treatment at the Pasteur Institute, returning home a few days ago. Yesterday symptoms of rabies developed in the younger brother and death in a violent form ensued. The elder brother as yet has manifested no signs of the disease.

SAILS TO FIGHT BALTIC FLEET

Japanese Send Forty Warships South to Engage Rojestvensky.

FIERCE FIGHTING AT FORTRESS

Washington, Dec. 20.—Japan has dispatched a great fleet of 40 warships to meet and destroy the powerful Russian Baltic fleet.

This information is official. It is contained in a cable to the United States government from the American minister in Tokio. It reads:

"A Japanese fleet of 40 vessels passed Pescadores Islands yesterday, going south. This report has been confirmed here."

The Pescadores Islands lie just south of Formosa.

Thus, Japan, ever ready and quick to act, has moved far ahead of the time expected, to bring about a sea battle that is expected to be the most important in modern times.

The place agreed upon by the Russians to concentrate is believed to be the Chagos group of islands, south of India. Naval experts here figure that the czar's officers expected to mobilize the armada about January 4.

However, this sudden and dramatic move on the world's chess board by the mikado is declared here to be certain to surprise the Russians and compel a hurried change of plans.

Another Fort Captured.

Tokio, Dec. 20.—The Japanese fired an immense mine under portions of the north fort of East Keekwan Mountain at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The infantry immediately afterward charged and occupied the fort with a heavy force.

The following report of the capture was telegraphed from General Nogi's headquarters:

"At 2.15 o'clock on the afternoon of December 18 part of our army blew up the parapets of the north fort of East Keekwan Mountain and then charged. A fierce battle with hand grenades ensued.

"Subsequently, at 7 o'clock in the evening, General Semiam, commanding the supports, advanced into the casemates and, encouraging his men, threw his supports into the fighting line in a last brave charge.

"At 11.50 o'clock at night we completely occupied the fort and immediately engaged in the construction of defensive works. Our occupation became firmly assured today.

"Before retiring the enemy exploded four mines in the neighborhood of the neck of the fort.

"We captured five nine-centimetre field guns and two machine guns, as well as plenty of ammunition.

"The enemy left 40 or 50 dead. Our casualties have not been investigated, but they are not heavy."

It is reported that the Japanese have seized a strong position about 1000 yards southeast of 203-Metre Hill, preparatory to assaulting the new town and pushing between Liaoti Mountain and the Russian headquarters at Port Arthur.

The fighting against Sungshu Mountain continues.

JAPS LOST 22,000 MEN

Dispatches From Port Arthur Tell of Terrible Fighting.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 19.—General Stoessel's latest dispatches from Port Arthur were published here, but as given out do not carry the story of the garrison's stubborn defense beyond December 10, thus leaving a gap of at least five days between the official word of the military commander and the unofficial story of Commander Mizzenoff, which was given out at Chefoo. It is not pretended that the dispatches are published in full.

The story of the operations, as far as it has been given out, is intensely interesting and shows that there has been an almost uninterrupted assault of the most desperate character from November 20 to December 10, when the Japanese, after losing over 22,000 men, captured 203-Metre Hill and were able from that position to shell the squadron in the Port Arthur roadstead. There the official account ends; but it is explained that the Japanese do not occupy the top of the hill, which is still exposed to a deadly fire from the Russian artillery. The Japanese are using a plunging fire from very heavy guns from behind the crest of the hill; but that this fire is efficiently directed is shown by the damage suffered by the Russian squadron. The Japanese are credited with using 11-inch and 16-inch mortars and howitzers. The effect of these must be

most deadly when turned upon the neighboring forts.

TWO JAPANESE HEROES

Details of Desperate Torpedo Attacks Against the Sevastopol.

Tokio, Dec. 20.—Although accustomed to hearing of acts of bravery on the part of their soldiers and sailors, the people of Japan have been thrilled by the details of the series of desperate torpedo attacks against the Russian battleship Sevastopol and other craft driven outside the harbor of Port Arthur by the fire of the Japanese land batteries.

Commander Yezoe and Lieutenant Nakahara are the heroes of these attacks, and the former promises to gain equal prominence with Commander Hirose (who on March 27 last was blown to fragments in Vice Admiral Togo's second attempt to bottle up Port Arthur) in the war traditions of Japan.

Commander Yezoe's flotilla of torpedo boats was undergoing repairs when the attacks were planned, but he succeeded in putting one of his vessels into condition for a fight. On this vessel he promptly steamed to the rendezvous, and, finding that the other flotilla had gone, begged and gained permission to join in the attacks. Then he steamed through the snow storm alone and succeeded in locating the Sevastopol, to which he was able to get close enough to hear the Russians talking.

Yezoe fired a torpedo and then went closer and fired a second torpedo, when a shell from the Sevastopol struck him in the abdomen, cutting his body in two.

Portions of Commander Yezoe's remains were saved and brought back to the fleet. They will probably come to Japan for public interment, as was done with portions of the remains of Commander Hirose.

Lieutenant Nakahara went to the rescue of the disabled torpedo boat, which had been under the command of Lieutenant Nakahori, who with five others was killed, and submitted to a deadly fire. Nakahara's boat was hit repeatedly, but he succeeded in rescuing a majority of the crew of Nakahori's boat.

It is probable that Admiral Togo will soon return to Japan, leaving a junior admiral to conduct the final operations and to continue the blockade. It is expected that Togo will be summoned by the emperor to Tokio, where he will be given splendid public receptions.

MRS. CHADWICK DON'T WANT BAIL

Cleveland, Dec. 19.—Tottering on the verge of collapse, leaning heavily on the arms of Marshal Chandler and the jail physician, and forced to rest at almost every landing in climbing the stairs of the federal building, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, the woman who has won international notoriety as a juggler of millions borrowed on worthless paper, walked into a clever trap before the bar of the United States district court and pleaded not guilty to every charge brought against her.

She made no application for bail and was remanded to jail to await trial.

President Beckwith and Cashier Spear, of the Citizens' National Bank, of Oberlin, wrecked by the Chadwick loans, were arraigned at the same time and were allowed to depart after furnishing bonds to the amount of \$25,000 each—an increase of \$15,000 over the value of the bond they had previously given.

The mask was ruthlessly, brutally torn from the face of Mrs. Chadwick during her arraignment, and behind it was found the unmistakable features of Madame Lydia De Vere, charlatan, fortune teller, swindler, forger and convict. No dumb, terror-stricken thief or murderer ever collapsed so utterly as this miserable woman when she realized just what had been prepared for her.

A big armchair was placed within 10 feet of and directly facing the clerk's desk. At this desk sat Erving Belford, the man who successfully defended Joseph Lamb, the Toledo expressman, who was jointly tried with Madame De Vere for forgery in Toledo. Jay P. Dawley, the accused woman's counsel, sat by the vacant chair. Mrs. Chadwick was brought in, supported on either side by United States Marshal Chandler and one of his deputies.

Slowly they marched down the centre aisle, the woman leaning heavily on the arms of the two men. She saw Beckwith, grim and defiant, his eyes intent upon the ceiling. She saw Spear, the youthful cashier, sitting by his side, staring straight ahead of him

Then, when half way to her seat, her eyes lighted upon Erving Belford directly facing her and piercing her veil with a steady stare from beneath his shaggy brows.

Instantly all her strength seemed to leave the woman. Her knees gave way and she would have fallen to the floor had not the marshals held her up. Trembling from head to foot, she fought to master the weakness, but her limbs refused to do her bidding. She was a terror-stricken, inert bundle of brown clothes.

Seeing that she could not move, the marshals fairly carried her to the armchair and literally dumped her into it. There she sat huddled up like a stuffed figure, save that she rested her right elbow on a table and hid her face to shut out the sight of the accusing eyes of Erving Belford.

The mask had been torn away. It was not Cassie L. Chadwick, high priestess of frenzied finance, who counted and spent her ill-gotten money by the millions. It was Madame Lydia De Vere, forger and convict, cringing before the bar of justice. When it was all over and the miserable woman had been carried back to jail, Mr. Belford said: "It was brutal, positively brutal, but it had to be done. I knew her the instant I saw her, and she knew me. It is impossible to forget her once you have seen her as I have."

WOOD ALCOHOL KILLS TEN

Men Drank the Stuff Notwithstanding the Poison Label.

Ashland, Ky., Dec. 20.—Four more men have been added to the list of six dead, and two others are reported to be dying, from the effects of wood alcohol poisoning at the mouth of Beaver river, at Big Sandy. Three others of the party are missing. Three push boats, with a crew of 17 men, were enroute to Pikeville, the boats being loaded with freight. At the mouth of Beaver, five miles above Prestonsburg, two of the boats sank, and the men swam and waded ashore with much of the freight. A jug of wood alcohol was one of the articles saved. It was dark and the men were chilled and wet. Fires were built and supper started. A man came along and sold them four bottles of "moonshine" whiskey. They drank the whiskey and wanted more. One man said: "Let's drink the alcohol." Another said: "It will kill us; see the poison label."

One of the crew began mixing drinks and said: "Come on; let's have our Christmas now. If it's poison we will all die together." They drank the stuff and while at supper they became violently ill. Two doctors were called, but could not relieve them.

The 10 dead are: Captain Henry Spriggs, Field and Shade Daniels, Sam Harmon, Henry Spencer, Curtis Adams, Henry Salmon, Tom Salmon, Ike Deroset and John Goble.

STEAMSHIP DISASTER

Nine Burned to Death in Vessel on Long Island Sound.

New York, Dec. 19.—An awful reminder of the General Slocum steamboat horror was the destruction by fire of the steamboat Glen Island on Long Island Sound, resulting in the death of two passengers and seven members of the crew. The fire was discovered when the steamer was off Captain's Island, and within 15 minutes the vessel was wrapped in flames from stem to stern.

In splendid contrast to the circumstances attending the destruction of the General Slocum, the crew of the Glen Island behaved heroically, and the name of Fireman Newman Miller stands out vividly as that of a man who gave up his life in a vain endeavor to rescue a terrified woman. The fire is believed to have been due to crossed electric wires.

The members of the crew who perished were in the hold and could not escape before the flames swept over them. Mrs. Silkman escaped from her cabin, but went back after her purse and was burned to death. How the unknown passenger met his fate is not known.

GUILTY OF JOHNSON MURDERS

Charles, the First of the Quintet, Convicted in First Degree.

Towanda, Pa., Dec. 19.—After but 17 minutes' deliberation the jury in the case of Charles Johnson, charged with the confessedly brutal murder of Maggie B. Johnson, his sister-in-law, returned a verdict of murder in the first degree.

According to Johnson's various confessions, four other members of the family took a more active part in the double murder than he. His aged mother, Mrs. Sephila Merritt; his brothers, Bigler and Alanson, and his sister Nancy stand indicted for the awful crime committed on the night

of Sunday, September 18 last. Maggie Benjamin Johnson, 39 years old, the wife of Bigler, from whom she was separated, and her 10-year-old niece, Annie Benjamin, were killed and their bodies burned in their house.

Both Bigler and Nancy Johnson have made confessions charging other members of the family with the crime.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED.

Wednesday, December 14.

James Hall was sentenced to five years' imprisonment for forgery by a Philadelphia judge.

Baron Speck von Sternburg, the German ambassador, sailed for Germany on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II.

The store of Long & Kremer, Phillipsburg, N. J., was robbed of \$1000 worth of revolvers, guns and cutlery.

John H. Wood, president of the First National Bank of Matthews, Ind., was found guilty on 19 counts of misapplying funds and false entries.

A. C. Towner has resigned as assistant commissioner of Indian affairs, and will be succeeded by C. F. Larabee, now chief of the land division.

Thursday, December 15.

A treaty of arbitration between Italy and the United States was signed at Washington.

The trial of the land fraud cases at Portland, Ore., has been postponed until next March.

Charles A. Semler, a prominent broker of Okron, O., was sentenced to 18 months in prison for obtaining \$5,000 under false pretense.

The Massachusetts state grange adopted a resolution calling upon members of congress to prevent the repeal of the oleomargarine law.

The World's Fair company has decided to present each state and territory the statue symbolic of it that occupied a niche in the colonnade of states back of Festival Hall.

Friday, December 16.

Fire destroyed 15 buildings in the business district of Opp, Ala., entailing a loss of \$150,000.

Brigadier General Samuel M. White, retired, died suddenly in Washington of acute indigestion.

Pension Commissioner Ware has relinquished his official duties at Washington and left for his home in Kansas.

Two masked men entered the bank of John Kizvak, at Phillipsburg, N. J., and at the point of their revolvers robbed him of \$180.

Wireless telegraph messages were sent from Kansas City to Cleveland, 725 miles, without relaying, the longest distance overland ever covered.

Saturday, December 17.

Joseph Ferrone, an Italian, was sentenced to life imprisonment in New York for murdering his wife.

According to the account filed by the executors the late William L. Elkins, of Philadelphia, left an estate valued at \$31,578,268.

The Carnation League requests all churches to hold memorial services January 29 as a tribute to the late President McKinley.

One girl was killed and 20 injured two fatally, by jumping from windows after an explosion had wrecked a toy pistol factory at Portsmouth, O.

By placing a basin of gasoline on the stove in mistake for water, Mrs. Henry Radusky and niece, of Philadelphia, were severely burned by the explosion that followed.

Monday, December 19.

The National Educational Association will hold their next convention at Asbury Park, N. J., July 3 to 7, 1905.

After quitting work at the Dick strippings, Hazleton, Pa., Anthony Chureart was killed by a steam shovel. Nearly \$225,000 worth of statuary now at the St. Louis Exposition has been secured for the Lewis and Clark Exposition at Portland, Ore.

William Schimper & company's nickel plating and decorating factory at Hoboken, N. J., was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$100,000.

Counsel for August W. Machon, Dr. George E. Lorenz and the Graft brothers, all convicted of postal frauds, will carry the cases to the United States supreme court.

Tuesday, December 20.

The United States supreme court has adjourned until January 3 for the Christmas holidays.

M. Calhoun, engineer, and H. Kinney, fireman, were killed and four others injured by the explosion of a locomotive boiler at Davenport, Ia.

Having dressed herself in new complete sets of clothing, Mrs. Sarah Sauble hanged herself from a tree near her home at Woodensburg, Md.

Justice of the Peace John Ford was shot and killed by his cousin on the main street of Chattanooga, Tenn., as the outcome of an old family feud.

Before a congregation of 600 persons, John Alexander Dowle declared that the assets of Zion City were \$30,000,000, and that the total indebtedness was less than \$500,000.

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FRIDAY EVENING, FEB. 27, 1903

Freight Wreck.

A bad freight wreck occurred on the Western Maryland Railroad Wednesday afternoon last about 2:30 o'clock, a short distance beyond the Conewago bridge, about 1 1/2 miles west of this place. The train wrecked was an extra freight running from Gettysburg to Hanover in charge of engineer Rufus Eckert and conductor C. T. Hann. It was composed of thirteen cars, of which eight were derailed and damaged. The cause of the accident is attributed to the spreading of the rails.

The first car to leave the track was the third from the engine and before the train was stopped the following seven were off. The track was torn up for a distance of 240 feet.

The wrecking crews from the main line and also from Hanover, were summoned and worked until midnight Thursday night before the cars were all put on the tracks and the damage to the road repaired.

The accident put the officials to much inconvenience, as all the passengers had to be transferred. Most of the damage to the cars was confined to the tracks. Seven of the eight cars were loaded with anthracite coal. Nobody was hurt by the accident.

James Eck, of Hanover, foreman of the W. M. R. R. wrecking crew, was painfully injured at an early hour Thursday morning. While jacking up one of the cars, the jack slipped and fell with much force on his left foot, throwing him down and rendering him unconscious. John S. Messinger, of Hanover, while working with the crew at the wreck was struck on the right leg by a lever pole. No bones were broken but his leg was badly bruised.

Tramps at Almshouse.

Number of tramps lodged at the Adams county Almshouse during the years 1901 and 1902.

	1901	1902
January.....	300	341
February.....	406	319
March.....	333	261
April.....	202	63
May.....	65	43
June.....	54	14
July.....	51	16
August.....	54	10
September.....	76	13
October.....	182	26
November.....	202	28
December.....	235	60
Total.....	2230	1193
Number of meals given in 1901.....	4460	
1902.....	2350	

Number of meals saved.....2074

Carpet Remnants.

"We have just finished inventory and we have many remnants of carpets. May be enough for your room. They will go at a sacrifice. Nace's, Hanover.

A Malicious Libel Nailed.

Idaville, February 15.
Several citizens of this village, including the Rev. W. W. Rhodes and his daughter, Ida Rhodes, have been subjected to no little annoyance by the recent publication in newspapers printed at Littlestown and elsewhere of a hoax purporting to be an account of the formation of a society of spinsters. The object of the alleged organization was to encourage bachelors to enter society and to encourage matrimony. No one here ever heard of the matter prior to the newspaper publication, which has aroused considerable indignation.

Successful Fair.

The Firemen's Fair at Littlestown closed Wednesday night and was the most successful fair ever held in that place. The ladies of the committee deserve the gratitude of the firemen, for the energy and zeal put forth by them to make the fair a financial success. Their efforts have been rewarded by the neat sum of \$1,000 receipts.

When you lack energy, do you relish your food, feel dull and stupid after eating, all you need is a dose of Chamberlain's Cough and Liver Tablets. They will make you feel like a new man and give you an appetite like a bear. For sale by Randolph Wehler druggist.

CHURCH NOTICES

First Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Preaching services Sunday at 7 p. m. Sunday School 9 a. m.; V. P. S. C. E. 6:00 p. m.; Junior C. E. at 2 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:00 p. m. The Catechetical class will meet Saturday at 2 p. m.

REV. FERDINAND HERSE, Pastor.
St. Paul Reformed Church.

Preaching services Sunday at 10 a. m. Sunday school 9 a. m.; C. E. Society 6 p. m.

REV. S. P. MAUGER, Pastor
Methodist Episcopal Church.

Preaching services Sunday at 10 a. m. Sunday School 9 a. m.; Epworth League 6 p. m.

REV. VAUGHN T. RUE, Pastor.
Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

There will be two Masses next Sunday—Low Mass at 8 and High Mass at 10 o'clock.

Young People's Sodality at 6 p. m.; Solemn Vespers and Benediction at 6:30 p. m.

REV. L. AUGUSTUS REUDTER, Pastor

SAVED HER CHILD'S LIFE.—"In three weeks our chubby little boy was changed by Pneumonia almost to a skeleton," writes Mrs. W. Watkins, of Pleasant City, O. "A terrible cough set in, that, in spite of a good doctor's treatment for several weeks, grew worse every day. We then used Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was soon sound and well. We are sure this grand medicine saved his life." Millions know it's the only sure cure for Coughs, Colds and all Lung diseases. Randolph Wehler will guarantee satisfaction; 50c, \$1 Trial bottle free.

An exchange says that an old resident asserts that eating onions, at least once a day, is a safeguard against small-pox. There may be something in it. We know lots of confirmed onion eaters who never had the slightest attack of small-pox.

EVERY CHURCH Or institution supported by voluntary will be given a liberal quantity of the Longman & Martinez Pure Paints whenever they paint.

NOTE: Have done so for twenty-seven years. Sales: Tens of millions of gallons; painted nearly two million houses under guarantee to repaint if not satisfactory; The paint wears for periods up to eighteen years. Linseed Oil must be added to the paint, (done in two minutes). Actual cost then about \$1.25 a gallon. Samples free. Sold by our agents P. A. & S. Small, York, Pa.

Experiments made at the State College by the faculty show that wheat planted after Sept. 21 will be entirely free from the ravages of the destructive Hessian fly.

TENDENCY OF THE TIMES.—The tendency of medical science is toward preventive measures. The best thought of the world is being given to the subject. It is easier and better to prevent than to cure. It has been fully demonstrated that pneumonia, one of the most dangerous diseases that medical men have to contend with, can be prevented by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of influenza (grip) and it has been observed that this remedy counteracts any tendency of these diseases toward pneumonia. This has been fully proven in many thousands of cases in which this remedy has been used during the great prevalence of colds and grip in recent years, and can be relied upon with implicit confidence. Pneumonia often results from a slight cold when no danger is apprehended until it is suddenly discovered that there is fever and difficulty in breathing and pains in the chest, then it is announced that the patient has pneumonia. Be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the cold is contracted. It always cures. For sale by Randolph Wehler.

NOTICE.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the undersigned are requested to call and settle their accounts before the 1st day of April, 1903. All accounts not paid on or before the above date will be placed in the hands of an officer for collection.
G. H. BROWN,
New Oxford.

Notice of View.

NOTICE is hereby given to all parties interested that the undersigned, viewers appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of Adams County, to view and assess the damages occurring from the opening of an alley of the width of fifteen feet to run from Water Street to lot of A. C. Diehl and thence South to High Street, in the rear of lots of W. A. Himes, Geo. Sherman, Jacob Heltzer, C. M. Stough, Alex. Diehl, Joseph Hoover, Eliza McGaughey and Abram Stambaugh, and running through and over the lots of W. A. Himes and Abram Stambaugh, in the Borough of New Oxford, and to assess the benefits resulting from the opening of the same, will meet on the line of said proposed alley for the purpose of fulfilling the duties of their appointment on Thursday, the 12th day of March, 1903, when and where all parties interested may attend.
T. D. BLOCHER,
J. W. GARRACH,
LEVI MUMPH,

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OSTRICH LOGIC.

"When I can't see danger there is no danger." That's the logic of the ostrich which hides its head and exposes its body to the hunter. There are not a few people who seem to have gone to the ostrich to learn logic. The most dangerous enemies of humanity are the enemies which can't be seen, the disease breeding microbes which infect the blood. It is harder to get the microbe out of the blood than to keep it out, but Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery does both, by purifying the blood and then keeping it pure.

If there are eruptions on the skin, boils, pimples, sores of other signs of impure blood, use Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which will purify the blood and cure the eruptions which come from it.

"My blood was all out of order, and I hid to go to the doctor," writes Mrs. James R. Moss, New London, Stanley Co., N. C. "He gave me medicine which helped me for a short time. In the winter of 1898 I got worse than I had ever been. My tonsils were enlarged and my neck swelled all out of shape; my throat was sore and I could not cure it. My husband went for the doctor, but he gave me no encouragement. He helped me a little, but it did not last long. He attended me for twelve months, when I heard of a lady whose condition was like mine, who was taking your medicine and was getting well. So I secured some of the medicine and began taking it. In one week I was able to do my cooking. When I began taking the medicine I could sit up only a few minutes at a time, and I could rest or sleep a little while at a time. My throat was so sore at times I could not even swallow sweet milk, and my tonsils were full of little eating sores. My left side was swollen out of shape and I could hardly get my breath. The doctor said I would not get well, but three bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, three bottles of his 'Pellets,' three bottles of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy and the use of salt water did the work and cured me."

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REGISTER'S NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given to all legatees and other persons concerned, that the Administration accounts hereinafter mentioned will be presented at the Orphan's Court of Adams county, Pa., for confirmation and allowance, on Monday the 2nd day of MARCH, 1903, at 10:30 o'clock, A. M., viz:

246. The first account of Virginia M. Sefton and Little M. Knox, Administratrices of the estate of Charles J. Sefton, late of the Borough of Fairfield, Adams county, Pa., deceased.
247. First and final account of J. Harz Weaver, Administrator d. b. n., of J. Andrew Smith, late of Adams county, Pa., deceased.
1. First and final account of Hamilton W. King, Administrator d. b. n. e. t. a., of William S. Naugle, late of East Berlin Borough, Adams county, Pa., deceased.
2. First and final account of A. H. Parr, Executor of the last will and testament of Sarah A. Hofs, late of Mount Pleasant township, Adams county, Pa., deceased.
3. Second and partial account of A. D. Buehler, Executor of the last will of Lura M. Buehler, late of the Borough of Gettysburg, Adams county, Pa., deceased.
4. The second and partial account of Guyon H. Buehler, surviving Executor of the last will of A. D. Buehler, late of the Borough of Gettysburg, Adams County, Pa., deceased.
5. First and final account of John D. Yantis, Administrator of George B. Yantis, late of the Borough of Littlestown, Adams county, Pa., deceased.

WM. H. FOWLER,
Register.

Electin Notice.

THE Annual Election for Nine (9) Directors of the McSherrytown Water Company for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of J. A. Post & Co., in the Borough of McSherrytown, Adams county Pa., on Monday, MARCH 2nd, 1903, between the hours of 9 and 10 o'clock a. m.
G. L. RICE,
President.

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF JOHN AND ELIZABETH SHEELY, LATE OF MOUNT PLEASANT TOWNSHIP, ADAMS COUNTY, PA., DECEASED.
The undersigned Attorney in Fact for the heirs of the estate of said deceased, hereby gives notice to all persons knowing themselves indebted there to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same to present them properly authenticated for settlement.
E. G. LOUGHRAN,
New Oxford, Pa.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Mrs. Catharine Brown, late of the Borough of New Oxford, Adams County, Pa., deceased.

Letters of Administration on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons knowing themselves indebted thereto to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them properly authenticated for settlement.
JOSEPH BROWN,
Administrator.

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A MATTER OF HEALTH



A pretty wedding took place at the home of the bride in York, when Harry Lau of Glen Rock and Lottie Catharine Yohe, of York were united in marriage. Both bride and groom are natives of Adams county and formerly lived in New Oxford.

COLLISION ON THE PENNSY

Local Crashes Into Chicago Limited and Overturns Two Sleepers.

Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—The Chicago limited on the Pennsylvania railroad was run into by a local passenger train in the railroad yards at 44th street and Girard avenue, this city, and several persons were injured. Among those hurt are H. Le Bastian, of Detroit, Mich., who received slight lacerations of the head, and L. M. Beamer, of New York city, who sustained two broken ribs.

The fourth and fifth coaches of the limited, both sleeping cars, were overturned. The other coaches did not leave the tracks. That the accident was not more serious was due to the fact that at the time the wreck occurred most of the passengers travelling in the fourth and fifth cars were in the dining car, which was the third coach of the train.

The accident was due to a switch failing to work, which caused the engine of the local train to cross over to the west-bound track and strike the third and fourth coaches. The overturned coaches caught fire from a lamp on the front of the engine, but the few imprisoned passengers were rescued before the flames had gained much headway.

FLED IN THEIR NIGHT ROBES

Five Houses Topped Off Foundations By Mine Cave-In.

Mahanoy City, Pa., Dec. 20.—By the settling of the surface at Jackson's, near here, the families of Jacob Lambert, Francis Benedict, Frank Collin and Joseph Weir were forced to flee in their night robes to escape being swallowed up in a cave-in. The earth was rent in huge fissures, and the ground subsided several feet. The fitches of the homes of Benedict and Lambert dropped into the mine. The houses which toppled off the foundations are the property of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company and are located over the workings of this company.

\$200,000 Fire in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—The large three-story building at 919 and 921 Walnut street, occupied by about half a dozen business concerns, was totally destroyed by fire, entailing a loss estimated at \$200,000. Among the occupants of the building, which extended from Walnut to Sansom streets, were Henry T. Coates & Co., the well-known book publishers; Louhead & Co., printers; H. E. Schultz & Co., millinery and dress trimmings; A. K. Billstein, millinery goods, and D. Klein & Co., tailors. The Irving House, largely patronized by the theatrical profession, and the Racquet Club, which adjoin the burned property, were damaged principally by smoke and water. Thousands of Christmas shoppers were attracted by the sight, and for a time greatly hindered the firemen.

Hoffman, son of a wealthy citizen of Burke county, died at his home, six miles from Morganton, of hydrophobia. Hoffman and his brother both were bitten on November 8. They went to Baltimore and were given three weeks treatment at the Pasteur Institute, returning home a few days ago. Yesterday symptoms of rabies developed in the younger brother and death in a violent form ensued. The elder brother as yet has manifested no signs of the disease.

SAILS TO FIGHT BALTIC FLEET

Japanese Send Forty Warships South to Engage Rojstvensky.

FIERCE FIGHTING AT FORTRESS

Washington, Dec. 20.—Japan has dispatched a great fleet of 40 warships to meet and destroy the powerful Russian Baltic fleet.

This information is official. It is contained in a cable to the United States government from the American minister in Tokio. It reads:

"A Japanese fleet of 40 vessels passed Pescadores Islands yesterday, going south. This report has been confirmed here."

The Pescadores Islands lie just south of Formosa.

Thus, Japan, ever ready and quick to act, has moved far ahead of the time expected, to bring about a sea battle that is expected to be the most important in modern times.

The place agreed upon by the Russians to concentrate is believed to be the Chagos group of islands, south of India. Naval experts here figure that the czar's officers expected to mobilize the armada about January 4.

However, this sudden and dramatic move on the world's chess board by the mikado is declared here to be certain to surprise the Russians and compel a hurried change of plans.

Another Fort Captured.

Tokio, Dec. 20.—The Japanese fired an immense mine under portions of the north fort of East Keekwan Mountain at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The infantry immediately afterward charged and occupied the fort with a heavy force.

The following report of the capture was telegraphed from General Nogi's headquarters:

"At 2.15 o'clock on the afternoon of December 18 part of our army blew up the parapets of the north fort of East Keekwan Mountain and then charged. A fierce battle with hand grenades ensued."

"Subsequently, at 7 o'clock in the evening, General Semeiam, commanding the supports, advanced into the casemates and, encouraging his men, threw his supports into the fighting line in a last brave charge."

"At 11.50 o'clock at night we completely occupied the fort and immediately engaged in the construction of defensive works. Our occupation became firmly assured today."

"Before retiring the enemy exploded four mines in the neighborhood of the neck of the fort."

"We captured five nine-centimetre field guns and two machine guns, as well as plenty of ammunition."

"The enemy left 40 or 50 dead. Our casualties have not been investigated, but they are not heavy."

It is reported that the Japanese have seized a strong position about 1000 yards southeast of 203-Metre Hill, preparatory to assaulting the new town and pushing between Llaoti Mountain and the Russian headquarters at Port Arthur.

The fighting against Sungshu Mountain continues.

JAPS LOST 22,000 MEN

Dispatches From Port Arthur Tell of Terrible Fighting.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 19.—General Stoessel's latest dispatches from Port Arthur were published here, but as given out do not carry the story of the garrison's stubborn defense beyond December 10, thus leaving a gap of at least five days between the official word of the military commander and the unofficial story of Commander Mizzenoff, which was given out at Chefoo. It is not pretended that the dispatches are published in full.

The story of the operations, as far as it has been given out, is intensely interesting and shows that there has been an almost uninterrupted assault of the most desperate character from November 20 to December 10, when the Japanese, after losing over 22,000 men, captured 203-Metre Hill and were able from that position to shell the squadron in the Port Arthur roadstead. There the official account ends; but it is explained that the Japanese do not occupy the top of the hill, which is still exposed to a deadly fire from the Russian artillery. The Japanese are using a plunging fire from very heavy guns from behind the crest of the hill; but that this fire is efficiently directed is shown by the damage suffered by the Russian squadron. The Japanese are credited with using 11-inch and 16-inch mortars and howitzers. The effect of these must be

most deadly when turned upon the neighboring forts.

TWO JAPANESE HEROES

Details of Desperate Torpedo Attacks Against the Sevastopol.

Tokio, Dec. 20.—Although accustomed to hearing of acts of bravery on the part of their soldiers and sailors, the people of Japan have been thrilled by the details of the series of desperate torpedo attacks against the Russian battleship Sevastopol and other craft driven outside the harbor of Port Arthur by the fire of the Japanese land batteries.

Commander Yezoe and Lieutenant Nakahara are the heroes of these attacks, and the former promises to gain equal prominence with Commander Hirose (who on March 27 last was blown to fragments in Vice Admiral Togo's second attempt to bottle up Port Arthur) in the war traditions of Japan.

Commander Yezoe's flotilla of torpedo boats was undergoing repairs when the attacks were planned, but he succeeded in putting one of his vessels into condition for a fight. On this vessel he promptly steamed to the rendezvous, and, finding that the other flotilla had gone, begged and gained permission to join in the attacks. Then he steamed through the snow storm alone and succeeded in locating the Sevastopol, to which he was able to get close enough to hear the Russians talking.

Yezoe fired a torpedo and then went closer and fired a second torpedo, when a shell from the Sevastopol struck him in the abdomen, cutting his body in two.

Portions of Commander Yezoe's remains were saved and brought back to the fleet. They will probably come to Japan for public interment, as was done with portions of the remains of Commander Hirose.

Lieutenant Nakahara went to the rescue of the disabled torpedo boat, which had been under the command of Lieutenant Nakahori, who with five others was killed, and submitted to a deadly fire. Nakahara's boat was hit repeatedly, but he succeeded in rescuing a majority of the crew of Nakahori's boat.

It is probable that Admiral Togo will soon return to Japan, leaving a junior admiral to conduct the final operations and to continue the blockade. It is expected that Togo will be summoned by the emperor to Tokio, where he will be given splendid public receptions.

MRS. CHADWICK DON'T WANT BAIL

Cleveland, Dec. 19.—Tottering on the verge of collapse, leaning heavily on the arms of Marshal Chandler and the jail physician, and forced to rest at almost every landing in climbing the stairs of the federal building, Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, the woman who has won international notoriety as a juggler of millions borrowed on worthless paper, walked into a clever trap before the bar of the United States district court and pleaded not guilty to every charge brought against her.

She made no application for bail and was remanded to jail to await trial.

President Beckwith and Cashier Spear, of the Citizens' National Bank, of Oberlin, wrecked by the Chadwick loans, were arraigned at the same time and were allowed to depart after furnishing bonds to the amount of \$25,000 each—an increase of \$15,000 over the value of the bond they had previously given.

The mask was ruthlessly, brutally torn from the face of Mrs. Chadwick during her arraignment, and behind it was found the unmistakable features of Madame Lydia De Vere, charlatan, fortune teller, swindler, forger and convict. No dumb, terror-stricken thief or murderer ever collapsed so utterly as this miserable woman when she realized just what had been prepared for her.

A big armchair was placed within 10 feet of and directly facing the clerk's desk. At this desk sat Erving Belford, the man who successfully defended Joseph Lamb, the Toledo expressman, who was jointly tried with Madame De Vere for forgery in Toledo. Jay P. Dawley, the accused woman's counsel, sat by the vacant chair. Mrs. Chadwick was brought in, supported on either side by United States Marshal Chandler and one of his deputies.

Slowly they marched down the centre aisle, the woman leaning heavily on the arms of the two men. She saw Beckwith, grim and defiant, his eyes intent upon the ceiling. She saw Spear, the youthful cashier, sitting by his side, staring straight ahead of him

Then, when half way to her seat, her eyes lighted upon Erving Belford directly facing her and piercing her veil with a steady stare from beneath his shaggy brows.

Instantly all her strength seemed to leave the woman. Her knees gave way and she would have fallen to the floor had not the marshals held her up. Trembling from head to foot, she fought to master the weakness, but her limbs refused to do her bidding. She was a terror-stricken, inert bundle of brown clothes.

Seeing that she could not move, the marshals fairly carried her to the armchair and literally dumped her into it. There she sat huddled up like a stuffed figure, save that she rested her right elbow on a table and hid her face to shut out the sight of the accusing eyes of Erving Belford.

The mask had been torn away. It was not Cassie L. Chadwick, high priestess of frenzied finance, who counted and spent her ill-gotten money by the millions. It was Madame Lydia De Vere, former and convict, cringing before the bar of justice. When it was all over and the miserable woman had been carried back to jail, Mr. Belford said: "It was brutal, positively brutal, but it had to be done. I knew her the instant I saw her, and she knew me. It is impossible to forget her once you have seen her as I have."

WOOD ALCOHOL KILLS TEN

Men Drank the Stuff Notwithstanding the Poison Label.

Ashland, Ky., Dec. 20.—Four more men have been added to the list of six dead, and two others are reported to be dying, from the effects of wood alcohol poisoning at the mouth of Beaver river, at Big Sandy. Three others of the party are missing. Three push boats, with a crew of 17 men, were enroute to Pikeville, the boats being loaded with freight. At the mouth of Beaver, five miles above Prestonsburg, two of the boats sank, and the men swam and waded ashore with much of the freight. A jug of wood alcohol was one of the articles saved. It was dark and the men were chilled and wet. Fires were built and supper started. A man came along and sold them four bottles of "moonshine" whiskey. They drank the whiskey and wanted more. One man said: "Let's drink the alcohol." Another said: "It will kill us; see the poison label."

One of the crew began mixing drinks and said: "Come on; let's have our Christmas now. If it's poison we will all die together." They drank the stuff and while at supper they became violently ill. Two doctors were called, but could not relieve them.

The 10 dead are: Captain Henry Spriggs, Field and Shade Daniels, Sam Harmon, Henry Spencer, Curtis Adams, Henry Salmons, Tom Salmons, Ike Derossel and John Goble.

STEAMSHIP DISASTER

Nine Burned to Death in Vessel On Long Island Sound.

New York, Dec. 19.—An awful reminder of the General Slocum steamboat horror was the destruction by fire of the steamboat Glen Island on Long Island Sound, resulting in the death of two passengers and seven members of the crew. The fire was discovered when the steamer was off Captain's Island, and within 15 minutes the vessel was wrapped in flames from stem to stern.

In splendid contrast to the circumstances attending the destruction of the General Slocum, the crew of the Glen Island behaved heroically, and the name of Fireman Newman Miller stands out vividly as that of a man who gave up his life in a vain endeavor to rescue a terrified woman. The fire is believed to have been due to crossed electric wires.

The members of the crew who perished were in the hold and could not escape before the flames swept over them. Mrs. Silkin escaped from her cabin, but went back after her purse and was burned to death. How the unknown passenger met his fate is not known.

GUILTY OF JOHNSON MURDERS

Charles, the First of the Quintet, Convicted in First Degree.

Towanda, Pa., Dec. 19.—After but 17 minutes' deliberation the jury in the case of Charles Johnson, charged with the confessedly brutal murder of Maggie B. Johnson, his sister-in-law, returned a verdict of murder in the first degree.

According to Johnson's various confessions, four other members of the family took a more active part in the double murder than he. His aged mother, Mrs. Sophia Merritt; his brothers, Bigler and Alanson, and his sister Nancy stand indicted for the

of Sunday, September 18 last. Maggie Benjamin Johnson, 39 years old, the wife of Bigler, from whom she was separated, and her 10-year-old niece, Annie Benjamin, were killed and their bodies burned in their house.

Both Bigler and Nancy Johnson have made confessions charging other members of the family with the crime.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED.

Wednesday, December 14.

James Hall was sentenced to five years' imprisonment for forgery by a Philadelphia judge.

Baron Speck von Sternburg, the German ambassador, sailed for Germany on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II.

The store of Long & Kremer, Phillipsburg, N. J., was robbed of \$1000 worth of revolvers, guns and cutlery.

John H. Wood, president of the First National Bank of Matthews, Ind., was found guilty on 19 counts of misapplying funds and false entries.

A. C. Tonner has resigned as assistant commissioner of Indian affairs, and will be succeeded by C. F. Larabee, now chief of the land division.

Thursday, December 15.

A treaty of arbitration between Italy and the United States was signed at Washington.

The trial of the land fraud cases at Portland, Ore., has been postponed until next March.

Charles A. Semler, a prominent broker of Okron, O., was sentenced to 18 months in prison for obtaining \$5,000 under false pretense.

The Massachusetts state grange adopted a resolution calling upon members of congress to prevent the repeal of the oleomargarine law.

The World's Fair company has decided to present each state and territory the statue symbolic of it that occupied a niche in the colonnade of states back of Festival Hall.

Friday, December 16.

Fire destroyed 15 buildings in the business district of Opp, Ala., entailing a loss of \$150,000.

Brigadier General Samuel M. White side, retired, died suddenly in Washington of acute indigestion.

Pension Commissioner Ware has relinquished his official duties at Washington and left for his home in Kansas.

Two masked men entered the bank of John Rizvak, at Phillipsburg, N. J., and at the point of their revolvers robbed him of \$180.

Wireless telegraph messages were sent from Kansas City to Cleveland, 725 miles, without relaying, the longest distance overland ever covered.

Saturday, December 17.

Joseph Ferrone, an Italian, was sentenced to life imprisonment in New York for murdering his wife.

According to the account filed by the executors the late William L. Elkins, of Philadelphia, left an estate valued at \$31,573,268.

The Carnation League requests all churches to hold memorial services January 29 as a tribute to the late President McKinley.

One girl was killed and 20 injured two fatally, by jumping from windows after an explosion had wrecked a toy pistol factory at Portsmouth, O.

By placing a basin of gasoline on the stove in mistake for water, Mrs. Henry Radusky and niece, of Philadelphia, were severely burned by the explosion that followed.

Monday, December 19.

The National Educational Association will hold their next convention at Asbury Park, N. J., July 3 to 7, 1905.

After quitting work at the Dick strippings, Hazleton, Pa., Anthony Churcut was killed by a steam shovel.

Nearly \$225,000 worth of statuary now at the St. Louis Exposition has been secured for the Lewis and Clark Exposition at Portland, Ore.

William Schimper & company's nickel plating and decorating factory at Hoboken, N. J., was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$100,000.

Counsel for August W. Machin, Dr. George E. Lorenz and the Graft brothers, all convicted of postal frauds, will carry the cases to the United States supreme court.

Tuesday, December 20.

The United States supreme court has adjourned until January 3 for the Christmas holidays.

M. Calhoun, engineer, and H. Kinney, fireman, were killed and four others injured by the explosion of a locomotive boiler at Davenport, Ia.

Having dressed herself in five complete sets of clothing, Mrs. Sarah Sauble hanged herself from a tree near her home at Woodensburg, Md.

Justice of the Peace John Ford was shot and killed by his cousin on the main street of Chattanooga, Tenn., as the outcome of an old family feud.

Before a congregation of 500 persons, John Alexander Dowle declared that the assets of Zion City were \$20,000,000, and that the total indebtedness was less than \$500,000.

New Oxford Item.

FRIDAY EVENING, FEB. 27, 1903.

TOWN AND COUNTRY.

Henry Felix, of McSherrystown, broke a bone in his wrist last Monday.

During the past few weeks the weather has been ground hoggy.

For Sale—500 Bushels of Corn on Address.

Box 87, New Oxford, Pa.

Wednesday night was the coldest of the season—the mercury being down to 6 degrees below zero.

Some people would rather beg than steal, and there are others who would sooner do either than go to work.

A marriage license has been issued at Hagerstown to Harry Ziegler, of that place, and Irene Berdette Boehm, of Gettysburg.

E. M. Bittlinger, of Pittsburg, O., left Thursday morning for Pittsburg, Pa., expecting to visit Pittsburg, Indiana, and Chicago.

Embroideries.

Our new Embroideries are all in no. and they are beauties. Nace's Hanover.

Rev. G. W. Welsh, formerly of East Berlin, has resigned his charge at Manheim and accepted a call from Woodcock Valley charge in Juniata County.

Miss Katie Mickle, of Virginia Mills, this county, is slowly improving from hiccoughs, with which she has been suffering severely for some weeks.

The house of Charles Rife, Hamilton township, was damaged by fire last week. The blaze caused by an overheated pipe damaged several rooms badly.

Pensions have been granted to John E. Clepper, Idaville, \$8; Frederick Shulley, Fairfield, \$8; Jacob C. Smith, Bendersville, \$8.

3,000 YARDS BATES SEERSUCKER 10c. —We just received an invoice of Bates Seersucker, all perfect, at 10c.

Nace's, Hanover.

The net proceeds of the chicken and waffle supper held in the Swartz building Friday and Saturday evenings for the benefit of the Y. P. L. L., was about \$80.

Members of Washington Camp 23, P. O. S. of A., with their wives, sweethearts and friends, enjoyed a sociable oyster supper in the camp room Tuesday evening.

Several tons of coal were stolen Friday night from a car standing on a P. & R. switch near the college at Gettysburg. Among the persons concerned in the raid a Gettysburg constable is said to have been prominent.

Ginghams.

An elegant assortment of Dress Ginghams, of all the popular makes, at 7c, 9c and 10c. Nace's, Hanover.

A water tank is in course of erection along the railroad 1 mile west of Abbottstown, for the use of the B. B. R. R. The water supply is furnished by W. W. Hafer from his water main.

A marriage license was issued Thursday at Baltimore to Alphonse Kuhn, son of F. X. Kuhn and wife, of Hanover, and Miss Rebecca Coxen, of Stoney Brook, York County, who has been residing in Hanover.

Capt. L. H. Kuhn, of Hancock, Md., has returned from six weeks' treatment at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, much improved. His left leg, which was injured by a bullet during the battle of Gettysburg, was amputated.

Congressman Robert J. Lewis has introduced in the House of Representatives at Washington a petition of F. S. Cameron and other citizens of Adams county in relation to increased taxation for public roads in the vicinity of the battlefield of Gettysburg. It was referred to the committee on agriculture.

February Carpet Sale.

We make a reduction of 10 per cent. on all Brussels, Ingrain and Rag Carpets. This month only.

G. B. Nace, Son & Co., Hanover.

Edward Plank, of Table Rock, Adams county, a pitcher of the Philadelphia American League Baseball Club, passed through this place Saturday morning to report in Philadelphia. The club will go to Florida this week for spring practice.

Miss Lulu M. Cole, of 231 West Philadelphia street, York, for the past few days has been receiving threatening anonymous letters. This was bad enough, but when these were followed by a valentine last Saturday in the shape of a little box containing a bottle of poison, things became serious and the postal authorities were notified. Postal detectives are looking into the matter.

Suits and Overcoats \$1-4 Off.

February Reduction Sale of Men's and Boy's Suits, Overcoats and All Ready-made Clothing, at 1/4 off. During February only.

G. B. Nace, Son & Co., Hanover.

Mrs. John Good, of Gettysburg, had the misfortune to fall and break one of her wrists.

Born—Wednesday, Feb. 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Keneey, Peters street, a son.

East Berlin is to have a national bank. Almost all the stock having been subscribed.

Percy Kitzmiller, son of Jacob Kitzmiller, of Gettysburg, a barber by trade, has enlisted in the United States Marine Corps.

An agreeable surprise party was given Mrs. C. H. Robinson in honor of the anniversary of her birth, at her home on Hanover street, Friday evening.

FOR RENT—The home recently owned by the late Catherine Brown, near Swift Run school house, Mountpleasant township, 5 acres of land with good house, barn, etc. Rent reasonable. Call on or address FRANK HETRICK, New Oxford.

Monday morning the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Swisher, of near Round Top, fell into a bucket of scalding water. Medical aid was immediately summoned and curative remedies applied. At this writing the child is in a very serious condition.

A slight fire in the dry goods store of Skelly & Warner, Gettysburg, Wednesday afternoon, did damage to the amount of about \$125, fully insured. The spark from the head of a match used in lighting the gas fell among some cotton goods, resulting in a blaze, which might have been more serious.

Sportsmen in the country, the quail feed your attention. Do not let them suffer or starve when an hour or two devoted to them will carry them through winter without the loss of a member of a bevy. The sport they will furnish you and your friends next fall thrice pay you for your labor.

FOR RENT—53 acre Farm in Mountpleasant township, 2 miles west of New Oxford, on shares. Tenant will have chance to cut growing crop. Place can be seen by calling on Henry Stelmuth or A. Haverstock. Write or call upon CARL ERDMAN, Hanover, Pa.

Jacob H. Kump, of near Emmitsburg, who is foreman of the Smith-Krug flour mills, Littlestown, met with a very painful accident last Saturday morning about 9 o'clock. He was wiping the dust from the steel rolls when his hand was drawn in, crushing the ends of the first three fingers on his right hand in a very ugly manner.

Elmer Weikert, the former Gettysburger, who was arrested a few days ago in Lancaster on the charge of gilding and passing nickles as \$5 gold pieces, had a hearing on Saturday in Lancaster by United States Commissioner Brickner, and default of \$500 bail was committed to Moyamensing for trial in the United States District Court March 9.

An effort is being made to organize a brass band in town, and we hope the attempt may prove a reality. New Oxford has plenty of musical talent and we see no reason why we should not have a first-class musical organization here. Everybody should give the boys encouragement, not only from their mouths, but by liberal contributions from their purses.

Recently an operation was performed on Jessie Hoffman, the 16-year-old son of Mrs. Hoffman near New Chester, for necrosis of the thigh bone. The trouble was due to a bruise caused by the kick of a cow 5 years ago. The operation was performed by Dr. G. E. Spatz, of Hampton, assisted by Drs. F. C. Wolf, J. Lawrence Sheetz and H. B. Chronister. The operation was entirely successful and the patient is making speedy progress towards recovery and a healthy limb, under the care of the attending physician, Dr. Spatz.

The members of the Holy Name Society, of Mt. Carmel, Pa., having for its object the suppression of profane language, tendered a farewell to Rev. Charles Galligan, for the past two years assistant rector of the church of Our Lady there but now transferred to McSherrystown. Attorney Thomas N. Burke, in an address, recounted the high esteem in which Rev. Galligan was held, and referred to his excellent work in the parish and in the society of which he was the spiritual director, concluding by presenting him a well filled purse in behalf of the members of the society.

Laughman Tribe Again Taken.

Lewis Laughman, John T. Laughman, Albert Laughman and Edward Laughman, of Berwick township, were arrested Friday morning by constable John I. Grim, of Berwick township, on oath of John Grim and Lewis Laughman, charging the three defendants with the larceny of chop from John Grim, and charging the latter with the larceny of three hams and other meat from Samuel Sterner. The defendants had a hearing before John Hill, Esq., at Gettysburg, Friday. Edward and Albert were committed to jail for grand larceny; Lewis was released on bond.

Child Fatally Burned.

On Friday last a terrible fate befell Rolandus, the two-year-old son of John Grimm, of Abbottstown. The mother of the child had left him alone in the house for a few minutes while she went across the street to get some milk. During her absence the little child had gone to the stove and in some manner set fire to his clothing. When the mother returned she found him enveloped in flames and his clothing almost burned from his body and the flesh in places burned to a crisp. He suffered great agony until about noon Sunday when his suffering was relieved by death. Rolandus was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Grimm. His remains were laid to rest in the Lutheran cemetery, Abbottstown, Tuesday, Rev. Clark officiating.

Hymenial.

A very pretty double wedding was solemnized in a Nuptial High Mass in St. Mary's Church, McSherrystown, at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning, Very Rev. P. P. Hemler officiating. The contracting parties were Joseph H. Hemler, son of H. J. Hemler, Esq., of Brush Run, Mountpleasant township, and Mrs. Mamie Gruninger, nee Miss Mamie Niederer, daughter of Pius Niederer, of North St., McSherrystown; and Edward Gross, of Midway, son of the late Herman Gross and wife of Union township, and Miss Virginia Niederer, daughter of Jacob Niederer, of Main street, McSherrystown. Each couple in turn acted as bridesmaid and groomsmen for the other. After the ceremony, which was witnessed by a large number of relatives and friends, a wedding breakfast was served at the home of Jacob Niederer, at which both the newly wedded couples, their relatives and friends were present. Both couples took supper at the National in this place in the evening, after which they returned to McSherrystown where they expect to make their future homes. We join with their many friends in wishing them a long, prosperous and happy life.

Mr. John Warnick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Warnick, of Berwick township, and Miss Bernadetta Staub, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Staub, of Berlin Junction, were united in marriage in a Nuptial Mass in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Carlisle street, at 8 o'clock Monday morning, Rev. Father Reutter officiating. Miss Anna Staub, sister of the bride and Mr. Mark Staub, brother of the bride, acted as bridesmaid and groomsmen. The young couple have the best wishes of a host of friends for a happy and prosperous journey through life.

James A. Weikert, of this place, and Miss Lizzie J. Williams, of Hanover, were married at the Lutheran parsonage in this place, by Rev. F. Hesse on last Thursday evening. The happy couple left Friday morning for a visit to friends at Gettysburg and other places. They will make their future home in this place.

Joseph A. Eckenrode, son of Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Eckenrode, of Gettysburg, was quietly married to Miss Bertha Meyer, of Harrisburg, in that city last Tuesday morning.

Adam Ertter and Miss Helena Carver, both of Gettysburg, were married in St. Francis Xavier church, Gettysburg, Tuesday morning by Rev. Father M. J. Steffle.

Miss Irene Rosensteel, of Gettysburg, and Harvey F. Ziegler, of Hagerstown, were married Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the parsonage of St. Mary Catholic Church in that place by Rev. Father Sebastian Rabbia.

PERSONAL.

Mr. H. P. Treiber, who has occupied the house of Mr. A. Sheely, corner High and Hanover streets the past year, removed his family to Dixon, Ill., last week, where he expects to engage in farming.

Mr. John Schriver and two daughters, Misses Minnie and Lillie, of Glen Rock, spent some time with his sister, Mrs. Edw. Dittenhafer, Berlin Avenue.

Miss Fannie Steffy, of Carlisle street, is spending some time with friends in Philadelphia.

J. W. Barnitz, cashier of the Farmers and Merchants Bank, and daughter Madeline, spent from Friday evening until Monday evening with friends in Philadelphia.

Mrs. A. E. Buckminster, of Hanover, is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Lough, West High street.

A Special Pension.

John M. Wolf, Esq., has succeeded in securing a pension of \$12 per month by special act of Congress, for Mrs. Sarah J. Warren, of East Berlin, widow of Thaddeus Warren, late of Co. E, 2d Pennsylvania Reserves. Mrs. Warren has been blind for many years.

Death's Doings.

Mrs. Annie Deardorff, of Hanover, died Tuesday night about 11 o'clock of pneumonia, aged 82 years. Deceased was a daughter of Samuel Hykes and was born and reared at East Berlin. She was married to Samuel Deardorff, who died about 40 years ago, and is survived by four brothers, Andrew, of Yocumtown, Daniel, of Manchester, George, of near East Berlin, and David of Hampton, and four sisters, Mrs. Catharine Bucher, of Berwick township, Mrs. Susanna Bollinger, of Hampton, Mrs. Louisa Gable, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Elizabeth Gipe, of East Berlin.

Mrs. John Mummert died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Shafer, at Mt. Pleasant, near Swartz's school house, at 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning from pneumonia, aged 73 years, 7 months and 17 days. Her husband, John Mummert, died seven years ago.

Mrs. Mary E. Forney, wife of John S. Forney, residing on the Mummusburg road near Gettysburg, died very suddenly Wednesday morning at 6 o'clock from the effects of an apopleptic stroke, death following the attack before a physician could be summoned. Mrs. Forney was aged 65 years, 1 month and 7 days. Besides her husband she is survived by one son and two daughters.

Mrs. Kate McGaughey, wife of Hugh McGaughey, an engineer on the W. M. Railroad, died at her home in York at 8:50 p. m. Friday from the results of being struck by a Coaster sled while crossing a street about three weeks ago, and from which she received internal injuries. Mrs. McGaughey had been confined to bed for ten days. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Flickinger, of Hanover, and was married about 8 years ago to Hugh McGaughey, son of Mrs. Eliza McGaughey, of Pitt street, this place, who together with one daughter, Gertrude, survives her.

Mrs. Susan Reilly, wife of John T. Reilly, died at her home in McSherrystown, early Friday morning of pneumonia, from which she suffered for three weeks. She was born Dec. 18, 1855, the only child of the late John and Elizabeth Beckman; she was married at Conewago Chapel, Oct. 2, 1882, to John T. Reilly, by Rev. Father Enders, S. J. Four children survive, and three are dead. Mrs. Reilly was a devoted mother and wife.

The body of Mrs. Rev. D. B. Lady, of New Kensington, was brought to Ardentville last Saturday and buried in Fairview cemetery Sunday noon. Mrs. Lady was aged 60 years. Indigestion followed by paralysis was the cause of her death.

The Afflicted.

Mr. Abram Sheely, proprietor of the Pitt street warehouse, who has been housed up for a few days with a large carbunkle on one of his legs, is again able to be about.

Mr. Samuel Smith, of Oxford township, while chopping corn for his cattle on Monday morning, was accidentally caught in the choppers and had the third finger of his right hand cut off near the second joint. Dr. Sheetz gave the wound the necessary surgical attention.

Dr. Sheetz, who has been housed up with a very bad cold for some time is improving. Dr. J. H. Hildebrand, of Philadelphia, is attending to his large practice.

Mr. H. C. Cleaver, proprietor of the New Oxford Creamery, and one of his sons who have been critically ill with pneumonia, are convalescent.

Councilman J. U. Ruff, of Carlisle street, is also convalescent.

Mrs. Catharine Staub, residing in the Taughinbaugh house on Hanover street, beyond the railroad is suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Ignatius Weaver, of Peters street, is confined to his home with a very severe cold.

Dr. David Melhorn, of New Chester, is reported quite seriously ill.

Loss in the Fire.

Besides the total destruction of the house of Rev. O. V. Long, near Abbottstown, of which we made mention last week, the meat of nine large hogs and a large beef were consumed. The bumping of the meat as it fell upon the garret floor awakened the family. When the family discovered the fire it had gained such headway that they had to carry the small children out in the blinding snow storm wearing nothing but their night clothes. There is an insurance of \$1200 on the building and some on the furniture, in the Adams County Fire Insurance Company of Gettysburg.

The fair and festival held in the Engine House, Gettysburg, last week for the benefit of G. A. Band and Fire Co. was a decided success, the receipts aggregating a total of \$260.

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SPRING SALES.

FEBRUARY.

28—Mrs. Rebecca Oaster, Berwick twp., stock and implements, etc.

28—James A. Sadler, Mountpleasant twp., stock and implements, etc.

MARCH.

3—Geo. W. Hulick, Straban township, farm stock and implements.

3—Amos A. Sponseller, Mountpleasant township, stock and implements.

4—C. H. and D. G. Deatrick, Adams Township, stock and implements, etc.

4—E. G. Lough, Atty, real estate and personal property of John and Elizabeth Sheely, dec'd, Mountpleasant.

6—L. E. Melhorn, Mountpleasant twp., large lot of stock and implements.

7—J. C. Myers, Mountpleasant twp., big lot of stock and implements.

10—Charles Rhinehart, near Granite Station, live stock.

10—E. L. and M. A. Eckert, Adams, Oxford township, farm stock etc.

10—Emanuel Stine, at Holtz's mill, stock and implements.

11—George H. Waltman, near Bonneauville, farm stock and implements.

14—Miss Mary Kurtz, Berwick township, household goods, etc.

14—P. J. Noel, New Oxford Borough, real estate.

16—Frank G. Hemler, Mountpleasant twp., farm stock and implements.

18—Walter A. Little, Mountpleasant twp., farm stock and implements.

18—W. N. Myers, agent for heirs of Philip Myers, dec'd, New Oxford, household goods, etc.

10—Mrs. Margaret McSherry, near Bonneauville, stock, implements, &c.

20—M. A. Bowers, Hamilton township, farm stock and implements, etc.

24—A. D. Little, Mountpleasant twp., stock and implements.

26—B. F. Gise, Tyrone township, big lot of farm stock and implements.

27—Mrs. Ann E. Hulick, near New Chester, stock and farm implements.

28—F. L. Fleschman, at Eagle Hotel, New Sew Oxford.

31—B. F. Livelsperge, at Holtz's mill, Tyrone township.

THE MARKETS.

New Oxford.—By Z. H. Cashman.
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Timothy seed..... 1 00 @ 1 50
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Mellow moon of the South, maiden of
midnight glory,
With your tenuous veil of orient amber
spun,
Ah, but you tell me still the same love-
memoried story
Of the asphodelian slopes, and the young
Endymion.
—Clinton Scollard, in Lippincott's Maga-
zine.

...A HALT... ON THE ROAD TO SUCCESS

By KATHERINE GLOVER,
ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

If all sounds so easy when
you read about it in
books and terse quotations
—the road to success. A
few abstract, smooth-roll-
ing phrases about perseverance and
courage, with very little concerning
the snags and the pitfalls, and nothing
at all to say of the balm to use
for stumped purposes and broken
limbs of resolution.

I am young, and I awake early re-
peating to myself again and again:
"I will make this a day of great
things!" And on that, "I will" I stop
the trivial buttoning of my waist to
crush my hand in determination; my
chin unconsciously take on a John L.
Sullivan angle, and my mouth goes
rigid. Let him oppose who dares!
Then I go on buttoning my waist and
the button rolls off just the same, tak-
ing with it a large lump of my deter-
mination. And all day long buttons
keep rolling off, (figuratively, I hasten
to add) until by night, perhaps,
there is not a single one left, and my
determination, detached, has slipped
off.

I go out alone at twilight for a
thoughtful walk. Success germs are
literally swarming all over me. I say
to myself, softly, "I will succeed!
Others have, so will I!" Again the
hand clinches and something within
me swells. "I will!" I say again to
the sunset, and then to some fancied
obstacle, "You shall not daunt me!" in
such a tone that any but the rudest
obstacle would surely scuttle scared
away.

My idea of success is rather dim,
but it puffs me up and makes me feel
airy and apart from the world. The
horizon of my dreams looks rose
colored and far away—it is a great,
big, world-encompassing dream that I
take with me on my twilight walk.

I read sketch after sketch of lives of
great men in the magazines, in the
papers, everywhere. On all sides I
meet with these little biographies of
success. They stir me and stimulate
me. So I say, "They did; I will. I
will work hard as they worked hard,
and I, too, will succeed. I will per-
severe without ceasing; I will make
sacrifices to my work, worship always
at its shrine; and then I will do things
that shall make the world stop in its
course and wonder."

One thing rankles a little. Always
in the biographies there were pretty
tales of the hero's determination,
poverty bound though his youth was,
to go to college; and just as sure as
his path was littered with difficulties,
so sure was he to trample them down
and pass on triumphantly to the open
doors of the college. Now, I, in my
very young days, hugged to myself a
dream of college life. It pillowed me
to sleep many a night. Not that there
seemed the slightest probability of its
fulfillment, indeed there was every
reason to suppose it could not possibly
come to pass, but what mattered that
to my dream? (Indeed, would a dream
be a dream, all pumped up with proba-
bility?) So I cherished it none the
less and felt perfectly certain that I
could not possibly be cheated of my
rightful heritage. I saw plaudits
philanthropists trooping forward to
help in such a good cause. But the
day of graduation came to hand and
the expected philanthropists had for-
gotten their cue and failed to appear
upon the stage of my well ordered
dreams. The stupid problem of work
presented itself to me with the same
harshness that it would to any ordi-
nary non-heroine being. It was my
unmistakable part to pitch in and help
the family finances—it might sound
well in books and biographies, but in
real life it was prosaic, deadly dull—
and inevitable.

Of course, I might have chucked
duty, borrowed money of some
abundantly provided friend and gone
on to college, leaving the family to
shoo the wolf away without my help.
And I admit that if I had been truly
great I could have managed to get my
college education and still have kept
the family going with the proceeds of
chocolate fudge or Welsh rarebit con-
cocted at odd hours for classmates.
But my greatness was not that great,
and I gulped down with a hard swal-
low my college dream and delved into
work—some small newspaper position,
in which I chose to see large possi-
bilities. My eyes are of the kind that
naturally adjust themselves to magni-
fying glasses.

And so my career began. It was
hard, cruelly hard, with snags and
tumbles unnumbered during that first
year. But it could be only a little
while. I thought, before some brilliant
future would open up to me. I worked
hard, so hard that sometimes there
came tears of bitterness that blurred
the magnifying glasses for a moment.
It was work so distasteful, so unlike
my dreams had pictured. But then
my thoughts reverted to the biogra-
phies. All great people had been so
hampered. I took comfort, resorted to
the "I will" process; I turned my
thoughts successward and redoubled
my energies. With perhaps a small
feeling of pride in the self sacrifice,
I gave up my friends and frivolities
and stuck to my work.

To be sure, all my efforts were not
without their reward. The monthly
stipend grew somewhat stouter, re-
sponsibilities were added to me, and
occasional compliments began to drift
my way from the editor's desk. My
position was changed until, after three
years, I began in a tiny way to be
somebody. "Kind friends, sweet
friends," began to meet me with pleas-
ant words on my "wonderful success,"
and dear old ladies congratulated my
mother on her daughter's "brilliant
career," until her head was quite
turned. I admit I felt at times a bit
puffed up with importance, but in the
noon glare of my consciousness I had
to hide a smile at the absurdity of it
all; for I knew in my dream-filled
heart that this they called success was
not even a faint shadowing of what I
had determined on. I tried to write
now and then things that my best
fancy dictated, and though there were
words of praise from a scattered few,
I knew that the callous editor read
them not at all, or, if he did, probably
commented, "pretty good rot, I guess,
if anybody likes that kind of stuff."

Four years, five years have gone and
the horizon is still far, far away and a
little cloudy; the brilliant future, it
seems, is under lock and Fate appears
to have mislaid the key. I stop a bit
and look about me. I have never
loosened my grasp for a moment on the
dream of success, indeed I have fed it
fatter all the time and have worked
toward it always; but so far as re-
sults go, I seem just as many leagues
away from that future. I have writ-
ten a dozen or more things that I
thought really good, quite worthy to
go to the magazines as fore-runners
of what is to come from my pen in
the day of my greatness. The dozen
or more, somewhat soiled and travel
worn, are still in my desk, having
shown no disposition to stay long
away from me.

I can think of nothing the subjects
of biographies could possibly have
done that I have not done. And now,
taking a pause to look about me, I sit
right down in the middle of the road—
the same that I have been traveling
at such a furious pace, seeming to
get nowhere in particular—and ponder
a little. Could they have been wrong,
all those biographies, or is it that I
am all wrong? With such perfect
unanimity they told the same story,
only the names and dates varying.

Now what am I to do, poor, misled
worker that I am? Having heretofore
walked always with my nose down to
the rules of success carefully laid out
in the books, I think in future I shall
throw biographies to the winds and
begin living out a new, strange
biography all my own. I shall work as
I wish, unfettered, unguided by others'
experience, and though, and probably,
the little tin god Success may still
turn up his little tin nose at me, I
shall have my joy and my freedom.
Biographies of the great ones may go
hang!—National Magazine.

The Danger of Dust.

One other cause of illness prevalent
in hot, dry weather is dust, and this,
with a little attention, might be abated.
The usual practice of municipal
authorities is still to sweep the perfect-
ly dry and dust-laden streets in the
small and early morning hours by
means of powerful machine brushes,
with the net result that the dust—at
least, its finer particles—is sent whir-
ling into the air only to fall again; the
particles are rearranged, not removed.

The problem has been solved in the
cities of London, Westminster and
Paris, and perhaps in others, by wash-
ing the streets in the early morning
and sweeping them afterward if neces-
sary. This insures the removal of
the dust without playing at the eternal
Sisyphus-like task of stirring up over
and over again the same dust particles,
a sort of "scavenger's labor lost." With
regard to country roads, the plan of
applying a chemical substance greedy
of water, such as calcium chloride, to
the roadway has been tried with ad-
vantage. "Westrumite," a combina-
tion containing this substance, has
been used in many places with success
so far as bicycles and motors are con-
cerned. The hygroscopic body ab-
sorbs moisture from the air, and thus
keeps the roads damp. The question
of the influence of such substance on
horses' hoofs and on rubber tires has
still to be considered.—British Medical
Journal.

As trade now stands, there is not
enough gold out of the earth, if it
were all coined, to transact the busi-
ness of a day.

CAUSES OF STRANGE FIRES.

Chemicals and Other Combinations
Which Produce Conflagrations ---
Some Pointers For Housekeepers
and Others.



It is not generally known
that a combination of in-
digo and linseed oil is a
prolific source of destruct-
ive fires. Fabrics dyed
with indigo and finished with a
preparation of linseed oil will,
if stored in a confined place, take fire
of themselves. It was only a few years
ago that a dry goods house was nearly
destroyed because the proprietor did
not know the destructive qualities of
oil and Indian dye. Lampblack, when
packed away in an ill-ventilated room,
often generates enough heat to set it-
self afire. The laboratory of a per-
fumer was nearly wrecked by an explo-
sion. The maker of scents believed
that a discharged employee had set fire
to the building, but it was shown that
the fire was due to the evaporation of a
high spirit in a room in which a small
laboratory gas stove had been left
burning.

In all manufacturing establishments
a frequent cause of fires is the rubbing
of leather belting against the edges of
the aperture through which it passes
from floor to floor.

In a fancy goods house a large iron
vault was blown open by some force
generated within and there issued a
sheet of flame. Nobody had been in
the vault for at least twelve hours.
The steel box was filled with paper
dolls, between each pair of which there
was a film of celluloid. A three-inch
steam pipe was placed against the rear
of the vault, and the heat it gave out
had raised the temperature to such a
degree that the celluloid had taken fire.
Gun cotton is one of the component
parts of celluloid films and the explo-
sion was the natural result of a combi-
nation of the gun cotton and high tem-
perature. One of the most stubborn
fires which ever visited St. Louis had
its origin in a plate glass window. The
pane concentrated the heat of the Au-
gust sun upon a celluloid comb. The
comb blazed and sputtered and soon
other samples of celluloid which were
around it were on fire. The flames com-
municated to the remainder of a stock
of inflammable merchandise.

The overwhelming fondness of mice
for sulphur has been the cause of many
fires. A fireman told the writer that he
had in several cases seen nests of
mice which the rats and the mice
had made between the floors of build-
ings. It is no unusual thing to find that
rodents have lined their abodes with
the brimstone anointed sticks. The
mice and rats will steal an old-fash-
ioned sulphur match whenever they get
an opportunity and take it away to
chew at their leisure. The gnawing
process results in the igniting of the
matches, and there follows a myste-
rious and suspicious fire. The rodent
regards paraffin as a choice delicacy.
If the insulation of an electric wire
contains this waxy product of petro-
leum the rats will eat it. The bare
wire thus becomes a ready means of
starting a blaze.

In many cases the steamfitter is re-
sponsible for destructive fires. If a
steam pipe is too close to woodwork a
slow process of carbonizing takes place.
A little extra heat or a draught of air
may fan a flame from the carbonized
wood. Another cause of conflagrations
is the carelessness of carpenters. From
time immemorial it has been a habit
of the trade to sweep the shavings in
between the joists of floors. If either
the wire or the shavings were properly
insulated there would be no trouble.
But in one way or another the wire is
exposed and communicates a spark to
the shavings which may be lying near
it. The sparks may smolder for days,
and then, in the dead of night, there
comes a cry of "Fire!"

FIRE TRAPS OF THE RICH.

The houses of the wealthy, even in
these days of fireproof construction,
are often greater fire traps than the
meanest tenements. The fires in the
abodes of wealth and luxury are often
defective. In many cases only the
width of a brick intervenes between in-
tense heat and highly varnished and
inflammable cabinet work. Rich hang-
ings and upholstered furniture give the
food upon which the fire feeds. Defec-
tive electric wiring has many sins to
answer for in these days. Electricians
who are supposed to be competent will
cross wires and violate nearly every
principle of common sense and electri-
cal science. Some of them lead strands
of wire through wooden boxes, which,
in the event of fire, become roaring
furnes. Some of the most destructive
fires known in the large cities have
been due to carelessness in placing the
wires for electric lighting.

There is a mysterious property in
dust which, under certain conditions,
produces violent explosions. There
have been instances in postoffices
where the dust of the mail bags sus-
pended in the rear of a close room ex-
ploded with terrific force. Dust explo-

sions are of frequent occurrence in
flour and drug mills.

Spontaneous combustion covers a
multitude of sins of carelessness. The
origin of many fires in tailor shops may
be traced to the so-called dry cleaning
of clothes. A rag dipped in naphtha is
frequently used in removing grease
spots from garments. The rag soaked
with inflammable fluids is thrown upon
the floor.

When the shop is closed up and the
air is confined the naphtha soaked ma-
terial will of itself generate fire. Bales
of cotton placed in the hold of a ship
are often the cause of disastrous fires.
Frequently a spark from a cigar finds
a resting place in a cotton bale, where
it smolders for weeks.

One of the most prolific causes of ten-
ement house fires is the dark hall. Fre-
quently persons come in after night
and strike matches in order to find
their way. In many cases their senses
are befuddled with drink, and the
burning match sticks are thrown upon
the floor. Here the matches may come
in contact with greasy matting or with
bits of paper and start a fire which
smolders for hours and in the early
morning spreads through the house.
Rainy days cause all manner of fires.
It is the custom of the housewife to
hang wet garments in the kitchen when
the weather conditions will not admit
of the drying of the family wash in the
yard or upon the roof. Frequently she
leaves the damp clothes hanging in the
kitchen near the stove. The garments
dry out during the night, and becoming
lighter are easily blown against the
stove by draughts of air. They take
fire and before many minutes the
whole kitchen is in flames.

Frequent recommendations have been
made by the chiefs of city fire depart-
ments that the swinging gas bracket be
abolished by law. Whenever the au-
thorities get a chance they order such
brackets to be removed or made sta-
tionary. Hundreds of fires have been
caused by the carelessness of persons
who left these swinging brackets in
such a position that the flame could
come in contact with lace curtains.
With a special reference apparently to
causing as many fires as possible the
gasfitter too frequently puts a swing-
ing bracket where he knows the house-
keeper will wish to hang a lace curtain.
The combination of curtain and brack-
et is often fatal.

One of the most active causes of fires
is the mantel decoration. In many
homes a silken scarf is hung from the
mantel itself. Whenever there is a fire
in the grate there is danger of the
fimsy scarf taking fire. In tenement
houses small stoves are often placed
before the mantel. The mantel shelves
are none the less duly decorated with
yards of embroidered and tinsel
cloth; in many cases this decoration
has caught fire from the stove, fallen
to the floor and ignited fat soaked car-
pet or matting. In some houses there
are wardrobes and clothes closets near
the chimneys. The clothing hung be-
hind the closed doors and subjected in
the winter time to a steady heat from
the chimney is liable to combustion.

In places where chemicals are kept
the varieties of fires are almost count-
less. Comparatively innocent sub-
stances in themselves may come in con-
tact and generate heat sufficient to
start a lively blaze. One of the Atlan-
tic freighters came to port recently
with a cargo composed of crude chemi-
cals and cotton. There had been an ex-
plosion of acids and a fire. It seemed
impossible to check the flames, which
had communicated to the cotton. The
fire, however, generated heat sufficient
to liberate the chlorine from a quantity
of bleaching powder. The chlorine ma-
terially aided in keeping the fire in
check, although its suffocating fumes
nearly caused the death of some of the
sailors who went into the hold to fight
the flames.

In the storage of all kinds of mate-
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Fill a tub half full of distinctly cold
water, very cold indeed when you get
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the tub, kneel, dash the water about
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It is an excellent plan to do breath-
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dining car attached, so we made our
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tial oil that fragments of their leaves
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to the spreading of the oil on the sur-
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Braudicourt.

SOUTHERN MOONLIGHT.

Mellow moon of the South, maiden of
midnight glory,
With your tenuous veil of orient amber
spun,
Ah, but you tell me still the same love-
memorial story
Of the asphodelian slopes, and the young
Bridgman.
—Clinton Scollard, in Lippincott's Mag-
azine.

....A HALT.... ON THE ROAD TO SUCCESS

By KATHERINE GLOVER,
ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

IT all sounds so easy when you read about it in books and terse quotations—the road to success. A few abstract, smooth-rolling phrases about perseverance and courage, with very little concerning the snags and the pitfalls, and nothing at all to say of the balm to use for stumped purposes and broken limbs of resolution.

I am young, and I awake early repeating to myself again and again: "I will make this a day of great things!" And on that, "I will" I stop the trivial buttoning of my waist to crush my hand in determination; my chin unconsciously take on a John L. Sullivan angle, and my mouth goes rigid. Let him oppose who dares! Then I go on buttoning my waist and the button rolls off just the same, taking with it a large lump of my determination. And all day long buttons keep rolling off, (figuratively, I hasten to add) until by night, perhaps, there is not a single one left, and my determination, detached, has slipped off.

I go out alone at twilight for a thoughtful walk. Success germs are literally swarming all over me. I say to myself, softly, "I will succeed! Others have, so will I!" Again the hand clinches and something within me swells. "I will!" I say again to the sunset, and then to some fancied obstacle, "You shall not daunt me!" In such a tone that any but the rudest obstacle would surely scuttle scared away.

My idea of success is rather dim, but it puffs me up and makes me feel airy and apart from the world. The horizon of my dreams looks rose colored and far away—it is a great, big, world-encompassing dream that I take with me on my twilight walk.

I read sketch after sketch of lives of great men in the magazines, in the papers, everywhere. On all sides I meet with these little biographies of success. They stir me and stimulate me. So I say, "They did; I will. I will work hard as they worked hard, and I, too, will succeed. I will persevere without ceasing; I will make sacrifices to my work, worship always at its shrine; and then I will do things that shall make the world stop in its course and wonder."

One thing rankles a little. Always in the biographies there were pretty tales of the hero's determination, poverty bound though his youth was, to go to college; and just as sure as his path was littered with difficulties, so sure was he to trample them down and pass on triumphantly to the open doors of the college. Now, I, in my very young days, hugged to myself a dream of college life. It pillowed me to sleep many a night. Not that there seemed the slightest probability of its fulfillment, indeed there was every reason to suppose it could not possibly come to pass, but what mattered that to my dream? (Indeed, would a dream be a dream, all pumped up with probability?) So I cherished it none the less and felt perfectly certain that I could not possibly be cheated of my rightful heritage. I saw pleading philanthropists trooping forward to help in such a good cause. But the day of graduation came to hand and the expected philanthropists had forgotten their cue and failed to appear upon the stage of my well ordered dreams. The stupid problem of work presented itself to me with the same harshness that it would to any ordinary non-heroine being. It was my unmistakable part to pitch in and help the family finances—it might sound well in books and biographies, but in real life it was prosaic, deadly dull—and inevitable.

Of course, I might have chucked duty, borrowed money of some abundantly provided friend and gone on to college, leaving the family to shoo the wolf away without my help. And I admit that if I had been truly great I could have managed to get my college education and still have kept the family going with the proceeds of chocolate fudge or Welsh rarebit concocted at odd hours for classmates. But my greatness was not that great, and I gulped down with a hard swallow my college dream and delved into work—some small newspaper position, in which I chose to see large possibilities. My eyes are of the kind that naturally adjust themselves to magnifying glasses.

And so my career began. It was hard, cruelly hard, with snags and tumbles unnumbered during that first year. But it could be only a little while, I thought, before some brilliant future would open up to me. I worked hard, so hard that sometimes there came tears of bitterness that blurred the magnifying glasses for a moment. It was work so distasteful, so unlike my dreams had pictured. But then my thoughts reverted to the biographies. All great people had been so hampered. I took comfort, resorted to the "I will" process; I turned my thoughts successward and redoubled my energies. With perhaps a small feeling of pride in the self sacrifice, I gave up my friends and frivolities and stuck to my work.

To be sure, all my efforts were not without their reward. The monthly stipend grew somewhat stouter, responsibilities were added to me, and occasional compliments began to drift my way from the editor's desk. My position was changed until, after three years, I began in a tiny way to be somebody. "Kind friends, sweet friends," began to meet me with pleasant words on my "wonderful success," and dear old ladies congratulated my mother on her daughter's "brilliant career," until her head was quite turned. I admit I felt at times a bit puffed up with importance, but in the noon glare of my consciousness I had to hide a smile at the absurdity of it all; for I knew in my dream-filled heart that this they called success was not even a faint shadowing of what I had determined on. I tried to write now and then things that my best fancy dictated, and though there were words of praise from a scattered few, I knew that the callous editor read them not at all, or, if he did, probably commented, "pretty good rot, I guess, if anybody likes that kind of stuff."

Four years, five years have gone and the horizon is still far, far away and a little cloudy; the brilliant future, it seems, is under lock and Fate appears to have mislaid the key. I stop a bit and look about me. I have never loosened my grasp for a moment on the dream of success, indeed I have fed it fatter all the time and have worked toward it always; but so far as results go, I seem just as many leagues away from that future. I have written a dozen or more things that I thought really good, quite worthy to go to the magazines as fore-runners of what is to come from my pen in the day of my greatness. The dozen or more, somewhat soiled and travel worn, are still in my desk, having shown no disposition to stay long away from me.

I can think of nothing the subjects of biographies could possibly have done that I have not done. And now, taking a pause to look about me, I sit right down in the middle of the road—the same that I have been traveling at such a furious pace, seeming to get nowhere in particular—and ponder a little. Could they have been wrong, all those biographies, or is it that I am all wrong? With such perfect unanimity they told the same story, only the names and dates varying.

Now what am I to do, poor, misled worker that I am? Having heretofore walked always with my nose down to the rules of success carefully laid out in the books, I think in future I shall throw biographies to the winds and begin living out a new, strange biography all my own. I shall work as I wish, unfettered, unguided by others' experience, and though, and probably, the little tin god Success may still turn up his little tin nose at me, I shall have my joy and my freedom. Biographies of the great ones may go hang!—National Magazine.

The Danger of Dust.

One other cause of illness prevalent in hot, dry weather is dust, and this, with a little attention, might be abated. The usual practice of municipal authorities is still to sweep the perfectly dry and dust-laden streets in the small and early morning hours by means of powerful machine brushes, with the net result that the dust—at least, its finer particles—is sent whirling into the air only to fall again; the particles are rearranged, not removed.

The problem has been solved in the cities of London, Westminster and Paris, and perhaps in others, by washing the streets in the early morning and sweeping them afterward if necessary. This insures the removal of the dust without playing at the eternal Sisyphean task of stirring up over and over again the same dust particles, a sort of "scavenger's labor lost." With regard to country roads, the plan of applying a chemical substance greedy of water, such as calcium chloride, to the roadway has been tried with advantage. "Westrumite," a combination containing this substance, has been used in many places with success so far as bicycles and motors are concerned. The hygroscopic body absorbs moisture from the air, and thus keeps the roads damp. The question of the influence of such substance on horses' hoofs and on rubber tires has still to be considered.—British Medical Journal.

As trade now stands, there is not enough gold out of the earth, if it were all coined, to transact the business of a day.

CAUSES OF STRANGE FIRES.

Chemicals and Other Combinations Which Produce Conflagrations --- Some Pointers For Housekeepers and Others.



IT is not generally known that a combination of indigo and linseed oil is a prolific source of destructive fires. Fabrics dyed with indigo and finished with a preparation of linseed oil will, if stored in a confined place, take fire of themselves. It was only a few years ago that a dry goods house was nearly destroyed because the proprietor did not know the destructive qualities of oil and Indian dye. Lamplblack, when packed away in an ill-ventilated room, often generates enough heat to set itself afire. The laboratory of a perfumer was nearly wrecked by an explosion. The maker of scents believed that a discharged employe had set fire to the building, but it was shown that the fire was due to the evaporation of a high spirit in a room in which a small laboratory gas stove had been left burning.

In all manufacturing establishments a frequent cause of fires is the rubbing of leather belting against the edges of the aperture through which it passes from floor to floor.

In a fancy goods house a large iron vault was blown open by some force generated within and there issued a sheet of flame. Nobody had been in the vault for at least twelve hours. The steel box was filled with paper dolls, between each pair of which there was a film of celluloid. A three-inch steam pipe was placed against the rear of the vault, and the heat it gave out had raised the temperature to such a degree that the celluloid had taken fire. Gun cotton is one of the component parts of celluloid films and the explosion was the natural result of a combination of the gun cotton and high temperature. One of the most stubborn fires which ever visited St. Louis had its origin in a plate glass window. The pane concentrated the heat of the August sun upon a celluloid comb. The comb blazed and sputtered and soon other samples of celluloid which were around it were on fire. The flames communicated to the remainder of a stock of inflammable merchandise.

The overwhelming fondness of mice for sulphur has been the cause of many fires. A fireman told the writer that he had in several cases seen nests of matches which the rats and the mice had made between the floors of buildings. It is no unusual thing to find that rodents have lined their abodes with the brimstone anointed sticks. The mice and rats will steal an old-fashioned sulphur match whenever they get an opportunity and take it away to chew at their leisure. The gnawing process results in the igniting of the matches, and there follows a mysterious and suspicious fire. The rodent regards paraffin as a choice delicacy. If the insulation of an electric wire contains this waxy product of petroleum the rats will eat it. The bare wire thus becomes a ready means of starting a blaze.

In many cases the steamfitter is responsible for destructive fires. If a steam pipe is too close to woodwork a slow process of carbonizing takes place. A little extra heat or a draught of air may fan a flame from the carbonized wood. Another cause of conflagrations is the carelessness of carpenters. From time immemorial it has been a habit of the trade to sweep the shavings in between the joists of floors. If either the wire or the shavings were properly insulated there would be no trouble. But in one way or another the wire is exposed and communicates a spark to the shavings which may be lying near it. The sparks may smolder for days, and then, in the dead of night, there comes a cry of "Fire!"

FIRE TRAPS OF THE RICH.

The houses of the wealthy, even in these days of fireproof construction, are often greater fire traps than the meanest tenements. The fires in the abodes of wealth and luxury are often defective. In many cases only the width of a brick intervenes between intense heat and highly varnished and inflammable cabinet work. Rich hangings and upholstered furniture give the food upon which the fire feeds. Defective electric wiring has many sins to answer for in these days. Electricians who are supposed to be competent will cross wires and violate nearly every principle of common sense and electrical science. Some of them lead strands of wire through wooden boxes, which, in the event of fire, become roaring fires. Some of the most destructive fires known in the large cities have been due to carelessness in placing the wires for electric lighting.

There is a mysterious property in dust which, under certain conditions, produces violent explosions. There have been instances in postoffices where the dust of the mail bags suspended in the rear of a close room exploded with terrific force. Dust explo-

sions are of frequent occurrence in flour and drug mills.

Spontaneous combustion covers a multitude of sins of carelessness. The origin of many fires in tailor shops may be traced to the so-called dry cleaning of clothes. A rag dipped in naphtha is frequently used in removing grease spots from garments. The rag soaked with inflammable fluids is thrown upon the floor.

When the shop is closed up and the air is confined the naphtha soaked material will of itself generate fire. Bales of cotton placed in the hold of a ship are often the cause of disastrous fires. Frequently a spark from a cigar finds a resting place in a cotton bale, where it smolders for weeks.

One of the most prolific causes of tenement house fires is the dark hall. Frequently persons come in after night and strike matches in order to find their way. In many cases their senses are befuddled with drink, and the burning match sticks are thrown upon the floor. Here the matches may come in contact with greasy matting or with bits of paper and start a fire which smolders for hours and in the early morning spreads through the house. Rainy days cause all manner of fires. It is the custom of the housewife to hang wet garments in the kitchen when the weather conditions will not admit of the drying of the family wash in the yard or upon the roof. Frequently she leaves the damp clothes hanging in the kitchen near the stove. The garments dry out during the night, and becoming lighter are easily blown against the stove by draughts of air. They take fire and before many minutes the whole kitchen is in flames.

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One of the most active causes of fires is the mantel decoration. In many homes a silken scarf is hung from the mantel itself. Whenever there is a fire in the grate there is danger of the flimsy scarf taking fire. In tenement houses small stoves are often placed before the mantel. The mantel shelves are none the less duly decorated with yards of embroidered and tinsel cloth; in many cases this decoration has caught fire from the stove, fallen to the floor and ignited fat soaked carpet or matting. In some houses there are wardrobes and clothes closets near the chimneys. The clothing hung behind the closed doors and subjected in the winter time to a steady beat from the chimney is liable to combustion.

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Lady Stanley wishes to find some great monolith fashioned by the ages, tempered and colored by time, untouched by man, to mark her husband's grave. She summoned the Art Memorial Company, of West Wood, and suggested the searching of Dartmoor to find such a stone, indicating the northeast corner as the most likely spot. Amidst thousands of stones collected, few contained all that was essential to such a scheme. It became evident that more attention should be given to the moorland farms which have roads leading into the border towns, and many were the offers of stones for Stanley's memorial.

After several days thus employed a large granite monolith was discovered at Frenchbeer Farm, which seemed at once to impress itself as being "the" stone, and upon careful examination it was found to contain all that was essential, its extreme length being 12 feet, width 4 feet, varying from 2 feet to 2 feet 6 inches in thickness. It was in a recumbent position forming part of a fence on the roadside; three faces had been fully exposed for many years. The owner, Mr. Robert Stark, and the tenant, Mr. George Mortimer, cheerfully gave their consent to its removal, only stipulating that a brass plate should be fixed to a smaller stone stating that from the spot was removed the stone which now stands at the head of Stanley's grave. The five smaller stones which form the boundary of this simple enclosure were found in the immediate neighborhood.

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Shooting in Public Schools.

The idea of indoor ranges for public schools will appeal to the boys, but may, at first, alarm the parents. The National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice recommends the establishment of ranges in schools where boys of fifteen years and upwards can be taught to shoot with the government rifle and gallery ammunition. On second thought most parents will agree they would rather have their boys do their shooting under proper supervision and in a well-regulated gallery than to be popping away at sparrows with Flobert rifles. Young America loves a gun. Let him learn to use one under the safest conditions.

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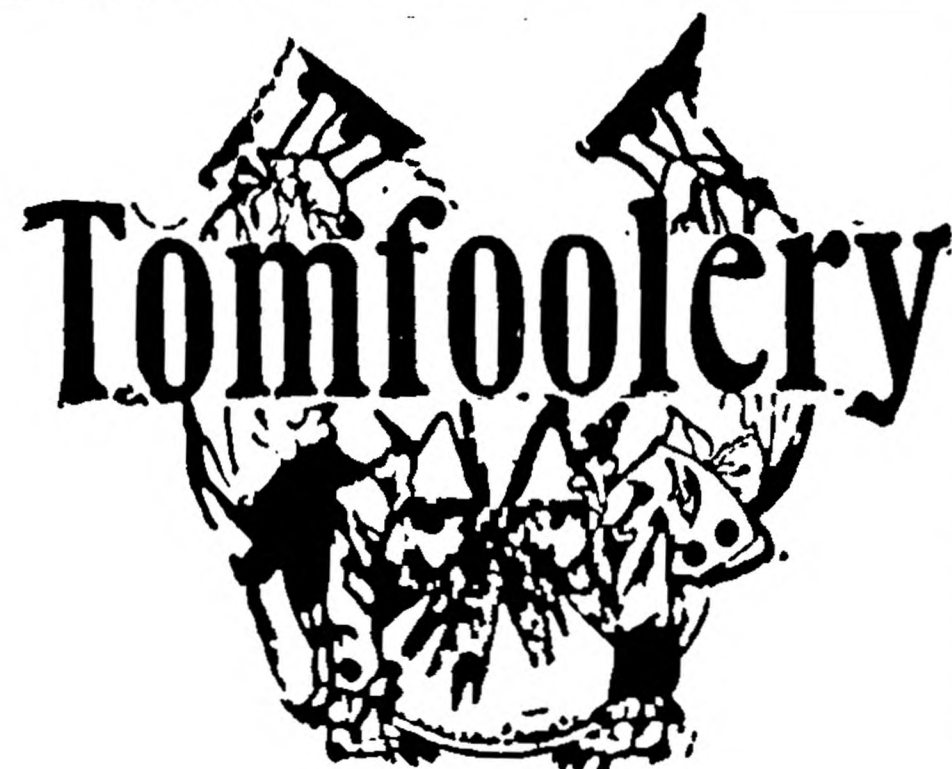
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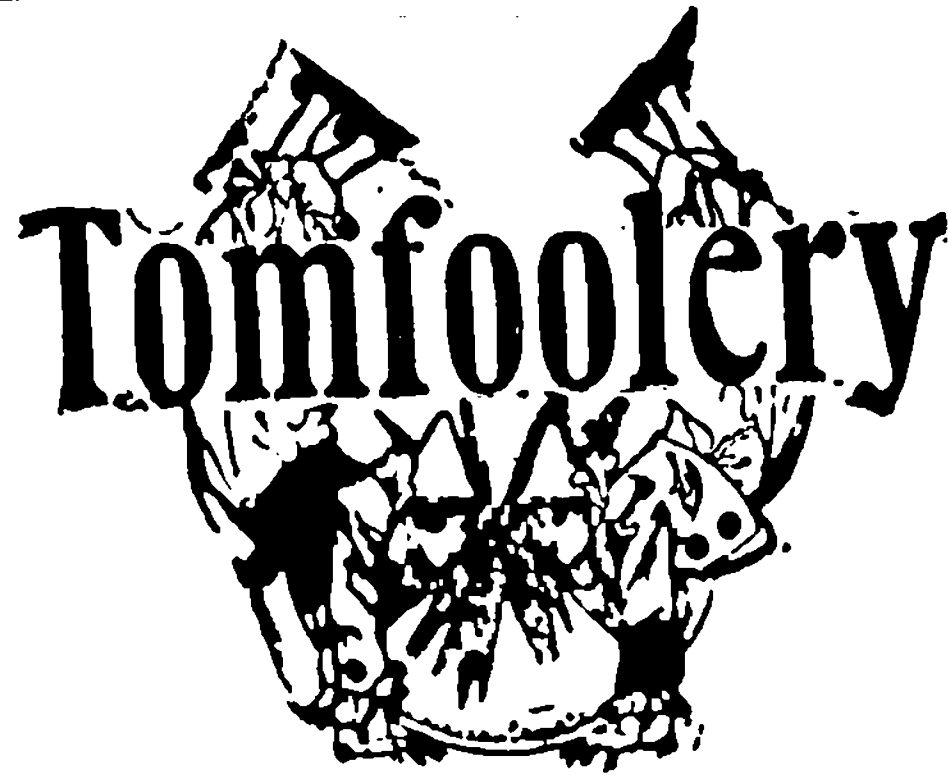
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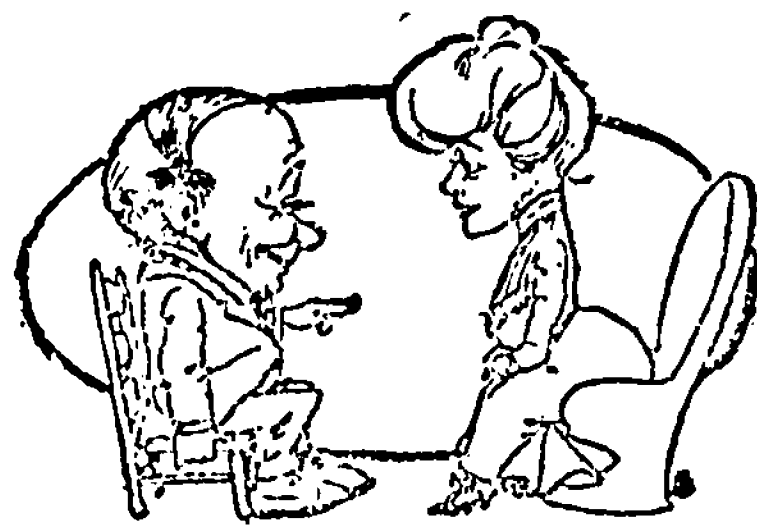
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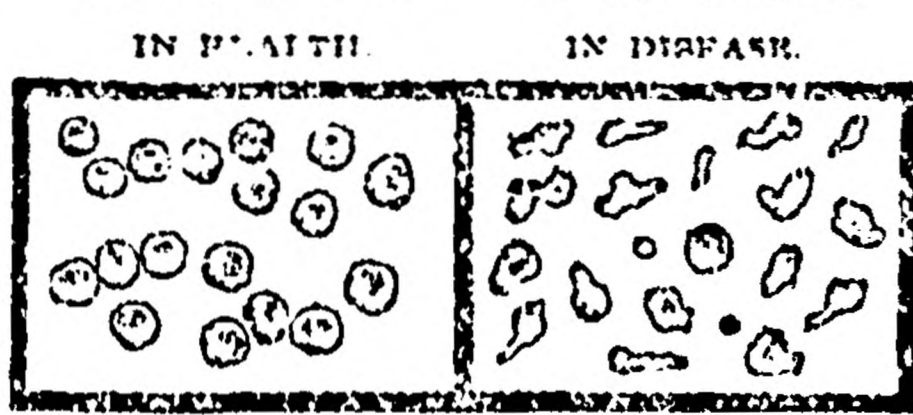
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Among the appointments recently made by President Roosevelt in the U. S. revenue cutter service is Theodore G. Crabster, of Gettysburg, to a third lieutenant. Mr. Crabster is a grandson of Dr. J. W. C. O'Neal, a well-known physician of Gettysburg.

Excursion to Baltimore Tuesday, January 3rd.

The family of Edward Cromer, Hanover, were overcome by inhaling coal gas at their home last Thursday night. Mr. Cromer awoke at 4 o'clock in the morning; he was in a partial stupor and found the room filled with gas. His wife and daughter were entirely overcome and he was obliged to carry them down stairs. A physician was summoned who succeeded in reviving them.

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ASSESSMENT.

THE Directors of the Mummaburg Mutual Fire Protection Society, have ordered an assessment of four (4) per cent. on the amount of the premium notes to pay fire losses, payable on or before the 15th day of January, 1905.

Particular attention is called to the 17th section of the By-Laws, viz: When ever an assessment has been made upon the premium notes and not paid within thirty days after the same shall have been demanded the policy shall be considered as null and void and of no validity but the Directors may retain the premium note and collect thereon such sum; and should it become necessary to enforce the payment of the amount assessed by suit-at-law, the recovery of said costs to form part of the claim due by the delinquent member to the society.

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Administrator's Notice.

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NOTICE!

My wife, Mary Miller, having left my bed and board without any reasonable cause, I hereby give notice that I will not be responsible or pay any bills or debts made or contracted for by her.

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of New Oxford, Center Square, Adams County,
Pennsylvania, at the close of business
Nov. 21, 1904.

—RESOURCES.—
Cash on hand, \$ 5,455.24
Checks and other cash items, 21.81
Due from Banks and Bankers, 20,977.37
Loans and Discounts, 222,232.03
Investment securities owned, viz:
Stocks, Bonds, etc., \$9,964.00
Mortgages, 850.00
Furniture and Fixtures, 1,308.54
\$260,569.09

—LIABILITIES.—
Capital stock paid in, \$ 50,000.00
Surplus Fund, 20,000.00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid, 4,853.60
Deposits, subject to check, \$ 58,279.14
Time Certificate of Deposits, 127,421.14
Due to Banks and Bankers, 315.21
\$260,569.09

State of Pennsylvania, County of Adams, ss:
I, Jas. W. Barnitz, Cashier, of the above named Company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
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—RESOURCES.—
Cash on hand, \$ 4,153.02
Checks and other cash items, 45.90
Due from Banks and Bankers, 5,889.70
Loans and Discounts, 113,969.83
Investment securities owned, viz:
Stocks, Bonds, etc., \$5,000.00
Mortgages & Judgments, 3,012.00
Real estate, Furniture and Fixtures, 4,885.89
\$137,476.34

—LIABILITIES.—
Capital Stock paid in, \$ 50,000.00
Surplus Fund, 5,000.00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid, 2,014.38
Deposits, subject to check, \$30,778.39
Time Certificate of Deposits, 39,708.61
Cashier's Checks outstanding, 139.75
Due to Banks and Bankers, 416.31
Bills payable, 8,000.00
\$137,476.34

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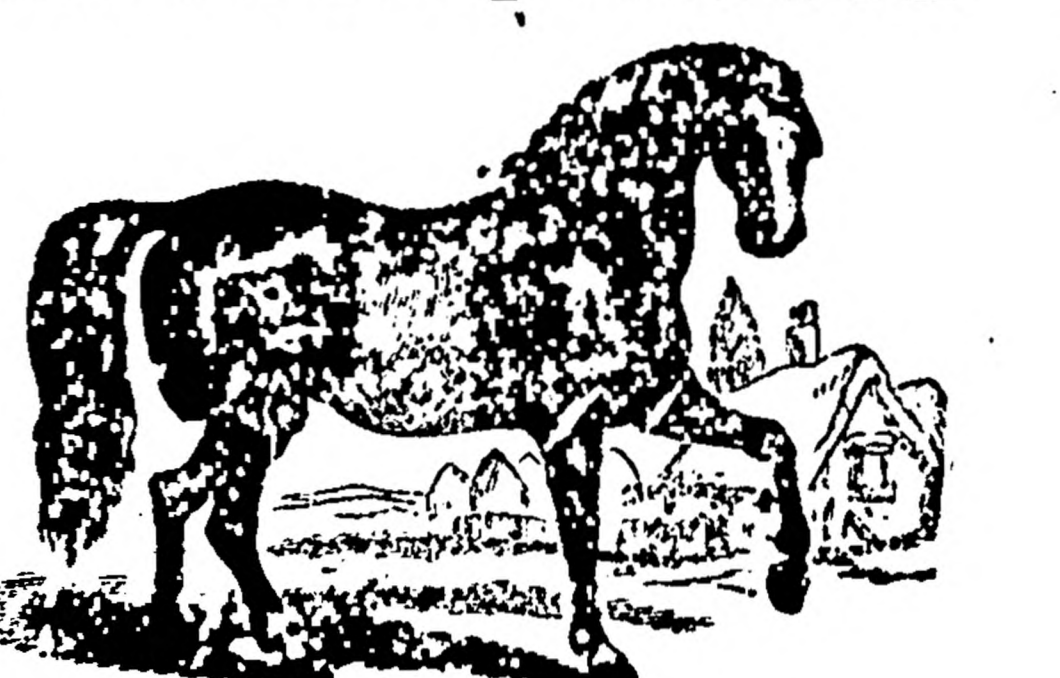
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Man is a millionaire many times over in the possession of blood cells. Woman is not quite so rich, for scientists have proven that the normal number of red blood cells in adult men is five million; in women four and a half million, to the square millimeter. The normal cell is not absolutely round in health, but, in disease, becomes extremely irregular in shape. Every one can be in perfect health and possess the millions of rich red blood corpuscles if they only know how to go about it. Dr. R. V. Pierce, consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., advises every man and woman to prepare for a long life by observing nature's laws. In the first place, if your digestion is faulty, and the food you eat is not taken up by the blood and assimilated properly, you need a tonic and digestive corrector, something that will increase the red blood corpuscles; he believes in going about this in nature's own way. Years ago, in his active practice, he found that an alternative extract of certain herbs and roots, put without the use of alcohol, could put the liver, lungs and heart into fuller and more complete action. This medicine, he called Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. By assimilating the food eaten, it nourishes the blood, and, instead of the ill-shaped corpuscles, the person's blood takes on a rich red color and the corpuscles are more nearly round. Nervousness is only the cry of the starved nerves for food, and when the nerves are fed on rich red blood the person loses those irritable feelings, sleeps well at night and feels refreshed in the morning.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER.

If you want to know about your body, read Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, which can be had for the cost of mailing, 31 cents in one-cut stamps for the cloth-bound book, or 21 stamps for the paper-covered volume. 1008 pages. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cleanse the bowels and stimulate the sluggish liver.

Among the appointments recently made by President Roosevelt in the U. S. revenue cutter service is Theodore G. Crabster, of Gettysburg, to a third lieutenant. Mr. Crabster is a grandson of Dr. J. W. C. O'Neal, a well-known physician of Gettysburg.

Excursion to Baltimore Tuesday, January 3rd.

The family of Edward Cromer, Hanover, were overcome by inhaling coal gas at their home last Thursday night. Mr. Cromer awoke at 4 o'clock in the morning; he was in a partial stupor and found the room filled with gas. His wife and daughter were entirely overcome and he was obliged to carry them down stairs. A physician was summoned who succeeded in reviving them.

A COSTLY MISTAKE.—Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. 25c, at Wehler's drug store.

WANTED.—A young man to learn the Coach-making business. For further particulars call on or address:

BOND & Co., New Oxford, Pa.

There will be four eclipses during the year 1905, two of the sun and two of the moon. The dates of the sun eclipses are March 5 and August 30, the former not visible. The eclipses of the moon occur Feb. 19 and Aug. 15; the latter is only visible in America.

Ladies' Black Mercerized Petticoats at 40c.; well worth 60c. THE WENTZ CO., 33 Balto. St., Hanover.

REVOLUTION IMMINENT—A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness, or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome causes. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels stimulate the liver, and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c, and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by Randolph Wehler druggist.

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Rain Coats, all sizes at THE WENTZ CO., 33 Balto. St., Hanover.

ELECTION NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Stockholders of the FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK OF NEW OXFORD, Pa., that the annual election for Eleven Directors to serve the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on MONDAY, JANUARY 9th, 1905, between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock, p. m.

12-15 td. JAS. W. BARNITZ, Cashier.

DR. J. L. SHEETZ,

Physician and Surgeon,

NEW OXFORD, PA.

Calls answered night or day within a radius of three miles.

DR. S. G. COONS,

Physician and Surgeon,

NEW OXFORD, PA.

OFFICE AND RESIDENCE ON PITT STREET, NEAR W. M. DEPOT.

Barber Shop Removed.

GEO. F. RABINE has removed his Barber Shop from the Eagle Hotel building to a commodious room at his residence a few doors from Center Sq. on Philadelphia street, where he will be ready at all times to give all satisfaction.

A Few Reasons Why You Should Do Your Xmas Shopping at BENDER'S.

1st.—I have the Largest Assortment of Furniture in the county.

2.—I Handle only Dependable Goods.

3.—Your Safeguard is My Satisfaction.

4.—You can get the BEST Furniture here that can be had.

5.—I Save You Money.

6.—Goods Always as Represented or money Refunded.

BENDER.

The Home Furnisher,

37 Baltimore Street.

Gettysburg, - - - Penn'a.

ASSESSMENT.

THE Directors of the Mummasburg Mutual Fire Protection Society, have ordered an assessment of four (4) per cent. on the amount of the premium notes to pay fire losses, payable on or before the 15th day of January, 1905.

Particular attention is called to the 17th section of the By-Laws, viz: "Whoever an assessment has been made upon the premium notes and not paid within thirty days after the same shall have been demanded the policy shall be considered as null and void and of no validity, but the Directors may retain the premium note and collect thereon such sum; and should it become necessary to enforce the payment of the amount assessed by suit-at-law, the recovery of said costs to form part of the claim due by the delinquent member to the society."

12-16-3t. MARGARET MCGREW, Secretary.

Administrator's Notice.

ESTATE OF LIZZIE G. FRAZIER DECEASED.—Letters of administration of the estate of Lizzie G. Frazier, late of the Borough of New Oxford, Adams County, Pa., deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, residing in said borough, notice is hereby given to all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same to present them properly authenticated for settlement.

12-2-6t. D. F. STEFFY, Administrator. New Oxford, Pa.

NOTICE!

My wife, Mary Miller, having left my bed and board without any reasonable cause, I hereby give notice that I will not be responsible or pay any bills or debts made or contracted for by her.

JOHN B. MILLER, Berwick Township, Adams County, Pa.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

—OF THE—
Farmers & Merchants Bank,
of New Oxford, Center Square, Adams County,
Pennsylvania, at the close of business
Nov. 21, 1904.

—RESOURCES.—

Cash on hand.....	\$ 5,455.34
Checks and other cash items.....	21.81
Due from Banks and Bankers.....	20,977.37
Loans and Discounts.....	222,232.03
Investment securities owned, viz:	
Stocks, Bonds, etc.....	\$9,964.00
Mortgages.....	850.00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	1,368.54
	\$260,869.09

—LIABILITIES.—

Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus Fund.....	20,000.00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid.....	4,853.60
Deposits, subject to check.....	\$ 58,279.14
Time Certificate of Deposits, 127,421.14	185,700.28
Due to Banks and Bankers.....	315.21
	\$260,869.09

State of Pennsylvania, County of Adams, ss:
I, Jas. W. Barnitz, Cashier, of the above named Company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAS. W. BARNITZ, Cashier
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of November, 1904. R. M. STRALEY, J. P.
Commission Expires 1st Monday of May, 1905.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
F. M. MILLER,
Z. H. CASHMAN,
J. L. SHEETZ, } Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

—OF THE—
Farmers' Bank of McSherrystown,
Main Street, Adams County, Pennsylvania, at the
close of business Nov. 21, 1904.

—RESOURCES.—

Cash on hand.....	\$ 4,153.02
Checks and other cash items.....	45.90
Due from Banks and Bankers.....	5,389.70
Loans and Discounts.....	113,969.83
Investment securities owned, viz:	
Stocks, Bonds, etc.....	\$0.00
Mortgages & Judgments.....	3,012.00
Real estate, Furniture and Fixtures.....	4,885.89
	\$137,476.34

—LIABILITIES.—

Capital Stock paid in.....	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus Fund.....	5,000.00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid.....	2,044.38
Deposits, subject to check.....	\$36,178.89
Time Certificate of Deposit.....	56,705.61
Checks outstanding.....	126.75
Due to Banks and Bankers.....	418.31
Bills payable.....	8,000.00
	\$137,476.34

State of Pennsylvania, County of York, ss:
I, Henry M. Rudisill, Cashier of the above named Company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HENRY M. RUDISILL, Cashier
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of November, 1904.

JULIUS W. FISCHER, N. P.
Commission Expires January 2nd, 1905.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
J. A. POST,
A. J. BRADY,
C. D. LUTHE, } Directors.

Grain & Produce!

Having purchased the Brick Warehouse, HANOVER STREET, NEW OXFORD, PA., for many years conducted by Mr. Z. H. Cashman, we desire to inform the public that the business will be conducted on the same principle as heretofore, and will buy and sell all kinds of

Country Produce.

WHEAT, RYE, OATS, CORN,
HAY, STRAW, BRAN, CHOP,
MIDDLINGS, POTATOES,
COARSE AND FINE SALT,
&c., &c., also

THE BEST BRANDS OF FLOUR.

We have retained the service of Mr. Cashman who will have charge of the business. Sellers and buyers will find it to their advantage to deal with us.

Free delivery to all parts of borough. Car leaves New Oxford every Thursday afternoon for Baltimore. Returning, leave Hillen Station every Friday at 4 o'clock p. m. arriving in New Oxford Saturday morning. All orders left with us will receive prompt and careful attention.

Hanover Produce Co.

Grain & Produce.

The undersigned, having taken charge of the warehouse on Pitt Street, (formerly conducted by A. Sheely), desires to inform the public that he will pay Highest Cash Prices for all kinds of GRAIN, Baled Hay and Straw, &c. Will also handle all kinds of MILL FEED, Coarse and Fine Salt, Potatoes and the Best BRANDS OF FLOUR. All orders for feed, etc., will be delivered to any part of the borough free.

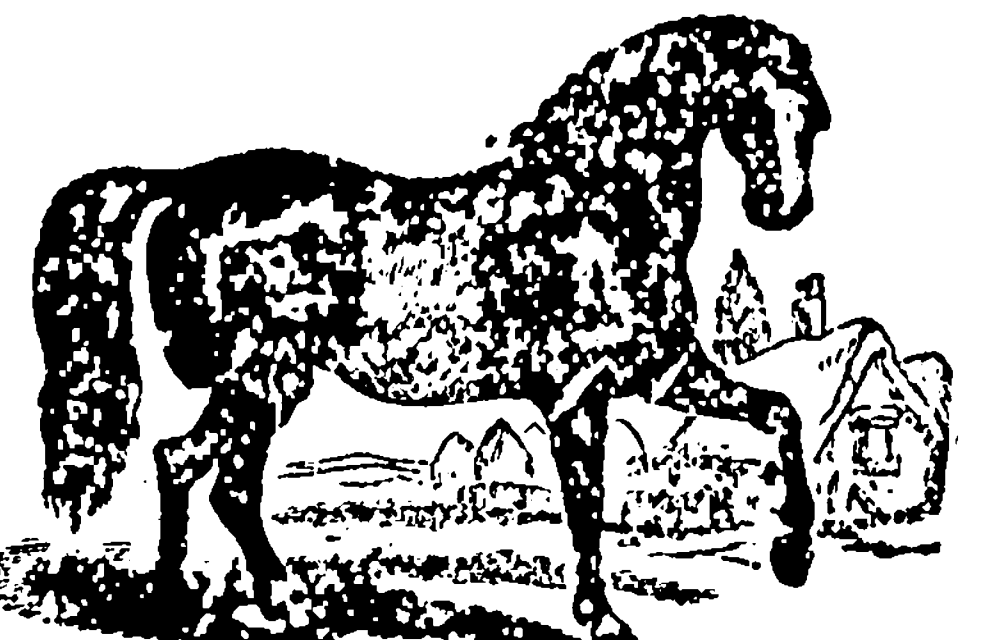
COAL.

Will also at all times have a full supply of Coal of all kinds, which will be sold at bottom price.

J. H. Duttera, Jr.,
New Oxford, Pa.

OHIO & KENTUCKY

Horses & Mules



Monday, December 26th.

The undersigned will receive at his sale and exchange stables, the above date, one car load of Ohio and Kentucky Horses, for sale and exchange. Workers and drivers.

Call and see my stock before purchasing.

H. A. SMITH, Hanover, Pa.

Headquarters

for Useful and Trustworthy

Christmas Presents.

—Such as—

Ladies' Winter Wraps.
Furs Make Good Gifts.
A Nice Umbrella.
Blankets a Comfortables.
Silk and Wool Mufflers.
Men's and Boys' Overcoats.
Christmas Handkerchiefs.
Ladies' Neckwear.
Gentlemen's Neckwear.
Misses' and Children's Coats.
Luxurious Suits for Men and Boys.
Holiday Gifts in Linen.
Sweaters. Leather Bags.
&c., &c., &c.

N. B. Carver & Sons.

HANOVER, PA.

NOTICE!

HAVING purchased and taken charge of the Butchering Business and Meat Market of M. G. Colestock, I desire to announce to the public in general, that by strict and careful attention to business, to retain his old and command many new customers. It is my intention to handle nothing but the BEST products and will at all times be pleased to furnish you with

Fresh and Cured Meats of all kinds, such as are only found in a first-class meat market. Your patronage solicited. Give me a trial.

B. F. Gise,

MIDDLE ROOM, LIVINGSTON BLOCK,
Center Square, New Oxford,

New Oxford Item.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1904.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Merry Christmas to All.

Next Easter Sunday comes late, on April 23.

Considerable ice from 5 to 8 inches in thickness was housed here during the past week.

The fall of about 7 inches of snow on Saturday has greatly improved the sleighing throughout this section.

Mr. Frank Eicholtz last week sold to N. H. Musselman a 9 acre tract of timberland in Tyrone township, for \$700.

The public and parochial schools of the Borough will close this Friday afternoon to remain closed until Monday, Jan. 2.

J. W. Zortman recently purchased a 22 day old calf from Jacob Grove, of Reading township, for which he paid \$11.05.

The school directors of Littlestown have forbidden the exchange of Christmas gifts between scholars and teachers.

One night recently, thieves carried two crates of eggs from the New Oxford Creamery. Entrance was gained through the ice house attached thereto.

John Chronister, of York, was held up by two highwaymen on Prospect Hill, Thursday night and robbed of a large sum of money.

Now is the time to have your spring sale bills printed so you will have plenty time to post them. Don't wait 'till the rush comes.

Claude Bentzel, living with Daniel Leas, at East Berlin, is nursing a badly bruised hand, the result of being struck by the fly wheel of Feiser's mill engine.

An increase of pension from \$12 to \$24 has been recommended by the Committee on Pensions in the House for Charles E. Gilbert, of Gettysburg.

Send us an account of anything that occurs in your neighborhood. We want the news for the ITEM. In this way you can help us make our paper more interesting.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

Pictures, Mirrors, Dolls and All Christmas goods will go at low prices.

G. B. NACE, Son & Co.,
11-13 Carlisle Street, Hanover.

Aaron Wolf has purchased of John Lillach a house and 3 acres of land which was formerly a part of the Graff farm adjoining Abbottstown, at \$1200.

A writ of Habeas Corpus has been issued on George J. Kebill, landlord of the Globe Hotel, Gettysburg, by Amos Collins. The amount is \$1200.

For the medicine chest or side board; I. W. HARPER Whiskey is pre eminent—the family whiskey—none better. Sold by C. T. HERSH.

Stephen G. Currens butchered for Jacob Brame, of Heidlersburg, two hogs, one weighing 414 pounds and the other 422 pounds. They rendered 260 pounds of lard.

If merchants or tradesmen of any kind gave as much for nothing as the newspapers are constantly expected to do—well, there would soon be nothing left for the sheriff to seize.

READY-TO-WEAR SUITS.

Our Special Low Prices will continue until all Suits and Overcoats are sold.

G. B. NACE, Son & Co.,
11-13 Carlisle St., Hanover.

Reuben Altland, Sr., has about decided to build a spacious building on his lot opposite the Reformed church, Abbottstown, to be used as a hall, council chamber and general purposes.

Hipple, The Magician, will give an entertainment in Miller's Hall, New Oxford, on Friday evening, Dec. 30, for the benefit of the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

"SPECIAL SALE OF PRINTS.

About 3000 yards of 6c and 7c Calico, in black, blue, grey and fancy colors; must all go at 5c the yard.

G. B. NACE, Son & Co.,
11-13 Carlisle Street, Hanover.

On account of the long drought in the central and western portions of this State, the Pennsylvania Railroad faces the most serious freight congestion in its history, say transportation officials of that corporation.

Cattle in many sections of Cumberland county are suffering from lack of water. At Newville farmers are melting snow for their stock as well as for household purposes. Other haul water from streams miles away.

Rev. Augustus C. Forecht was installed as pastor of the Third Lutheran church, Hanover, Sunday morning, before a large congregation of members and friends of the congregation.

LIBERAL QUANTITY OF L. & M. Paint given to churches whenever they paint. Don't pay \$1.50 a gallon for linseed oil. Buy oil from the barrel at 50 cents a gallon, and mix it with the L. & M. paint. It makes paint cost about \$1.20 per gallon. Call on P. A. & S. SMALL, York, Pa.

The five children of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Long, of Oxford township, who have been afflicted with diphtheria for several weeks, have all fully recovered.

Sheriff Basehoar on Saturday sold the 105 acre farm of W. H. Gelbach in Hamilton township, one mile from Fairfield, to J. U. Neely, of Fairfield, for \$3500.

The Secretary of War in his annual message to Congress has recommended an appropriation of \$75,000 for continuing the work on the Gettysburg National Park.

When New Oxford people—business men and citizens—learn the secret of success, this will be a much busier town and fewer people will spend their money away from home.

J. W. Garlacher, of Gettysburg, had one of his large black horses killed on Saturday. The animal had an abscess in his mouth which rendered him unfit for service.

Applications for liquor licenses will be heard on Friday, January 25th. Petitions must be filed no later than December 28th; objections must be filed no later than Tuesday, January 11th.

Mrs. Edgar J. Fink, of Hanover, slipped on the icy pavement in front of E. J. Geiselman's residence, in that place, Saturday afternoon, and fell, breaking her left arm near the wrist.

The next annual meeting of the Adams County School Directors Association will be held in the Court house, Gettysburg, on Saturday, January 14. The meeting will be called to order by the president, at 10:30 o'clock.

The Geiser Manufacturing Company, of Waynesboro, will pay eight per cent. as a cash dividend. The annual statement of the company shows net earnings of nearly \$159,000 in face of business depression and outlay for betterment.

Harry Hawthorn, of Hanover, while walking on the pavement in front of J. Wesley Myers' restaurant, in that place, Saturday evening stepped upon a banana skin and fell, breaking his left arm at the elbow.

A supplement to the newest ballot law is being prepared at the State Department at Harrisburg and will be submitted to the Legislature next month. The idea is to devise a ballot of such a kind that a voter in Presidential years can make no mistake.

A fine mule belonging to Mr. Emanuel Bollinger, residing on the Himes farm at the edge of town, was kicked on one of his hocks by a horse, a few nights ago, and injured to such an extent that it is feared the animal will have to be killed.

The parties who recently carried off a large amount of butter from the East Berlin creamery were traced to York where they sold the butter under price to a merchant. They were promptly arrested but it is said matters have been adjusted in a satisfactory manner to those concerned.

Enders Rice, of the Hanover Produce Company, son of Dr. George L. Rice, of McSherrystown, lost his equilibrium while passing the office of the Acme Extract Works, on East Chestnut street, Hanover, Saturday afternoon, and falling on the ice, broke the bones of his right wrist.

The controlling interest in the Hanover & Littlestown Turnpike Co. has been sold to the syndicate of York gentlemen who control the York County Traction Company. It is their intention, at the opening of the coming spring, to extend the York County trolley system to Littlestown.

Some twelve or fifteen tons of soft coal on a pile at the New Oxford creamery, have been smoldering away for the past two weeks, caused by spontaneous combustion. All efforts to stay the destruction proved of no avail, pouring on water seemed to only strengthen it. There was no blaze but simply smoke and the coal melting together.

George Jacobs, who a year ago bought the Thoman farm in Hamilton township, has sold the same to Charles Gable, of near York, at \$3950. Mr. Jacobs contemplates moving to York next Spring.

Harry Walters, of Abbottstown, who recently sold his home on Berlin street, that place, to Reuben Slothour, has purchased the property on York street, Abbottstown, of Lewis Moul.

Dec. 16, 1904.

The Postmaster, New Oxford, Pa.

Sir:—You are informed that the hour for closing the postoffice at New Oxford has been fixed for seven o'clock during the present schedule of the arrival and departure of mails. A schedule of the office hours should be posted.

Very Respectfully,

J. J. HOWLEY,

Act'g First Asst. Postmaster General.

W. C. Sheely, Esq., as assignee, last Saturday sold the plant of the Gettysburg Manufacturing Company, makers of furniture. The buildings, machinery and lot, 200x400 feet, were sold to Hon. S. McC. Swope, John Kimple, D. M. Wolf and J. M. Warner, for \$4,100. Most of the large amount of lumber on hand was sold to the same parties, about \$1400 being realized.

Mrs. Samuel Walter, of Fairfield Station, while in Gettysburg on a shopping tour last Saturday, slipped on the iron crossing at the First National Bank corner, falling heavily on her elbow and striking her head against a telegraph pole, rendering her unconscious. Mrs. Walter was able to walk when she went home on the 6:28 train but she is still suffering from the effects of the fall, internal injuries being feared.

On Monday morning Rev. S. P. Mauger of Philadelphia street, learned that Mr. E. C. Livingston had an extra good Portland cutter for sale. He found the cutter just to be the article he was wanting, and asked a few hours time to give Mr. Livingston the decision as to whether he would take it. Members of the New Oxford congregation (of Reformed church), had been planning to make the Rev. gentleman a present of one at Christmas, now saw that their opportunity was at hand to do their work quickly, and they at once purchased the cutter from Mr. Livingston and informed the Rev. that the cutter was his and he need not concern himself any further. It was quite a surprise to the pastor, and very highly appreciated by himself and family.

Christmas Services.

There will be three Masses in the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Christmas morning: High Mass at 5:30 o'clock, followed immediately by a Low Mass, and a second High Mass at 9:30 o'clock.

The Christmas services will be held in the lecture room of the M. E. church on Christmas morning at 9 o'clock.

The program of services for Christmas day in the First Lutheran church, of this place, is as follows: Morning,—sunrise prayer meeting at 6 o'clock; Sunday school at 9 o'clock; preaching at 10 o'clock. Evening,—C. E. at 6 o'clock; annual Christmas services at 7 o'clock.

The Reformed congregation and Sunday school, of this place, will give their annual Christmas service on Christmas evening at 7 o'clock. "Hosanna to The King" is the title of the service selected for the evening, which contains special and beautiful music, interspersed with recitations admirably adapted for the anniversary of the birth of Jesus. The offering will be for Bethany Orphans' home. All the members of the congregation and Sunday school are expected to be present. Everybody welcome.

Aged Lady Injured by Fall.

Mrs. Mariah Barnitz, one of New Oxford's aged and most highly esteemed citizens, residing with the family of her son, Mr. Jas. W. Barnitz, on Hanover street, recently received a slight stroke of paralysis. Mrs. Barnitz was walking about in her room on the second story when stricken and fell to the floor in such a manner as to badly injure her right hip and leg. Although she is improving at this time, it is yet feared that the injury received to the hip will cause her to be a cripple for the balance of her life.

PERSONAL.

Miss Mabel Sheetz, a student at the Womans College, Frederick, arrived Saturday to spend the holiday vacation at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Sheetz. Dr. John W. Sheetz, a student at Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, will arrive this Friday to spend the holidays at the home of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Daniels, of Baltimore, will spend the holidays at the "Maples," near town.

Rev. F. Hesse, of Philadelphia, spent Monday night in town.

Mrs. Agnes Aumen, of York, is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Mary A. Smith, who is seriously ill at her home on Pitt street.

Mr. Wm. Heltzel, whose wife died recently in Baltimore, removed his household effects to the home of his mother, Mrs. Margaret Heltzel, on Philadelphia street, on Saturday. Mr. Heltzel, who is a conductor on the N. C. railroad, between Baltimore and Marysville, will spend about two weeks here. His two sons have been turned over to the care of his mother.

Arm Broken by Kick of Horse.

Mr. William Kuhn, son-in-law of Mr. Lewis Weaver, of Water street, who removed from this place to a farm near Bonneauville, last spring, was kicked by one of his horses on Tuesday, breaking both bones of his right arm, near the wrist joint. Dr. J. L. Sheetz adjusted the fracture, but it will be some time before Mr. Kuhn will be able to use the arm.

Death's Doings.

David A. Liggett, who resided on the Charles Donnelly place, in Union township, died on Thursday afternoon at about 3 o'clock from paralysis of the heart, aged 72 years, 4 months and 15 days.

Charles Bushman died at his home in Carlisle on Friday evening, after a lingering illness. The cause of his death was erysipelas. Mr. Bushman was a former resident of Gettysburg. For several years he was employed by the Philadelphia & Reading railroad, as a fireman on the passenger train between Gettysburg and Harrisburg. Later he resigned because of ill health and accepted a position as engineer at the electric light plant at Carlisle, where he has since made his home. He was aged about 41 years. Mr. Bushman is survived by his wife and six children, and a sister, Mrs. Nevin Raffensperger, of Gettysburg.

An infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Miller, of McSherrystown, died Thursday night, Dec. 14, aged four weeks.

Thursday evening about 9 o'clock, occurred the death of the oldest resident of East Berlin, Mrs. John Geiselman, who was in her ninetieth year. She spent most of her life in the town in which she died. Her husband preceded her to the other world about 10 years ago; since then she had been living with her son Lewis.

Hymenial.

Mr. William A. Cashman, residing on the Gitt farm at the cross pikes, and Mrs. Sadie Mauss, residing at the edge of town, along the York pike, were united in marriage before a large audience in the First Lutheran church, by Rev. Geo. N. Lauffer, at 6:45 o'clock Sunday evening. This is their second venture in the holy bonds of wedlock, Mr. Cashman having lost his first wife by death some years ago, and Mrs. Mauss' first husband having died last winter. May they live long and prosper.

Paul Eyster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Eyster, of near McSherrystown, and Miss Cora Slifer, were married Tuesday evening at the home of the bride, above Littlestown, by the Rev. E. E. Blint, of that place. They will reside in a modern cottage residence recently erected by the groom on the Gettysburg road, at the edge of McSherrystown.

Dec. 10, at the parsonage in East Berlin, by Rev. P. M. Spangler, Isaac A. Wilt, of Hampton, and Miss Flossie Raffensperger, of Bowlder.

At the bride's home, by Rev. H. B. Bender, James Garfield Shybaugh, of Butler township, and Miss Eva May Emley, of Reading township.

A beautiful home wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Richardson, 2817, N. W., Washington, D. C., when their daughter, Miss Ida, became the wife of Rev. Stanley Bilheimer, of York Springs. The ceremony was performed by Dr. T. C. Bilheimer, of Gettysburg Seminary, father of the groom, and was witnessed by only the immediate friends of the two families. A reception followed the wedding and was attended by a large number of friends of both the bride and groom. The groom is the newly elected pastor of the York Springs Lutheran charge. The bride is a popular and well-known young lady of Washington.

Ambrose C. Staub, of Reading township, and Miss Evelina M. Haverstock, of East Berlin, were united in marriage last Sunday by Rev. W. F. Boyle, at Paradise Rectory, York county, near Abbottstown.

Miss Annie Garvin, of Baltimore, Md., and George C. Kuhn, of Panama, Florida, were married on Tuesday evening. The ceremony was performed at the parsonage of St. James Lutheran church, Gettysburg, by the Rev. J. A. Clutz, Mr. Kuhn was a former resident of Hanover but for several years has been located in Panama, where he is engaged as a letter carrier. They will make their home at Panama.

Harry W. Deardorff, son of J. Adam Deardorff, of Cashtown, and Miss Sarah E. Bucher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bucher, were married last Thursday at the home of the bride's parents at Seven Stars. Rev. D. T. Kyser performed the ceremony.

Roswell H. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Miller, of Hanover, and Miss Loretta M. Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Martin, of McSherrystown, were quietly married at Manchester, Md., on Saturday, Dec. 17, by Rev. H. H. Flick, pastor of the Lutheran church.

The Redemptorist Fathers will conduct a Mission in St. Mary's Church, McSherrystown, beginning Monday evening, January 8.

Died From Lockjaw.

Harry C. Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace E. Young, of Midway, died at 12:30 a. m. Friday of lockjaw, aged 20 years. Mr. Young, who was an employee of the heel and insole factory, in West Hanover, on December 8th had his left hand caught in a rolling machine while at work. The hand was severely lacerated, but the wounds under careful treatment, seemed to be healing nicely, when tetanus developed and caused his death.

Officers Elected.

At a stated meeting of 'Hebron' Lodge No. 465, F. & A. M., held Dec. 19, 1904, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

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S. W.—Wm. R. Snyder.
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1904.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Merry Christmas to All.

Next Easter Sunday comes late, on April 23.

Considerable ice from 5 to 8 inches in thickness was housed here during the past week.

The fall of about 7 inches of snow on Saturday has greatly improved the sleighing throughout this section.

Mr. Frank Eicholtz last week sold to N. H. Musselman a 9 acre tract of timberland in Tyrone township, for \$700.

The public and parochial schools of the Borough will close this Friday afternoon to remain closed until Monday, Jan. 2.

J. W. Zortman recently purchased a 22 day old calf from Jacob Grove, of Reading township, for which he paid \$11.05.

The school directors of Littlestown have forbidden the exchange of Christmas gifts between scholars and teachers.

One night recently, thieves carried two crates of eggs from the New Oxford Creamery. Entrance was gained through the ice house attached thereto.

John Chronister, of York, was held up by two highwaymen on Prospect Hill, Thursday night and robbed of a large sum of money.

Now is the time to have your spring sale bills printed so you will have plenty time to post them. Don't wait 'till the rush comes.

Claude Bentzel, living with Daniel Leas, at East Berlin, is nursing a badly bruised hand, the result of being struck by the fly wheel of Feiser's mill engine.

An increase of pension from \$12 to \$24 has been recommended by the Committee on Pensions in the House for Charles E. Gilbert, of Gettysburg.

Send us an account of anything that occurs in your neighborhood. We want the news for the *Item*. In this way you can help us make our paper more interesting.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

Pictures, Mirrors, Dolls and all Christmas goods will go at low prices.

G. B. NACE, SON & CO.,
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Aaron Wolf has purchased of John Lillach a house and 3 acres of land which was formerly a part of the Graff farm adjoining Abbottstown, at \$1200.

A writ of Habeas Faicia has been issued on George J. Kebil, landlord of the Globe Hotel, Gettysburg, by Amos Collins. The amount is \$1200.

For the medicine chest or side board; I. W. HARPER Whiskey is pre eminently the family whiskey—none better. Sold by C. T. HERSH.

Stephen G. Currens butchered for Jacob Brame, of Heidlersburg, two hogs, one weighing 414 pounds and the other 422 pounds. They rendered 260 pounds of lard.

If merchants or tradesmen of any kind gave as much for nothing as the newspapers are constantly expected to do—well, there would soon be nothing left for the sheriff to seize.

READY-TO-WEAR SUITS.

Our Special Low Prices will continue until all Suits and Overcoats are sold.

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Reuben Altland, Sr., has about decided to build a spacious building on his lot opposite the Reformed church, Abbottstown, to be used as a hall, council chamber and general purposes.

Hipple, The Magician, will give an entertainment in Miller's Hall, New Oxford, on Friday evening, Dec. 30, for the benefit of the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

SPECIAL SALE OF PRINTS.

About 3000 yards of 6c and 7c Calico, in black, blue, grey and fancy colors; must all go at 5c the yard.

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11-13 Carlisle Street, Hanover.

On account of the long drought in the central and western portions of this State, the Pennsylvania Railroad faces the most serious freight congestion in its history, say transportation officials of that corporation.

Cattle in many sections of Cumberland county are suffering from lack of water. At Newville farmers are melting snow for their stock as well as for household purposes. Others haul water from streams miles away.

Rev. Augustus C. Forscht was installed as pastor of the Third Lutheran church, Hanover, Sunday morning, before a large congregation of members and friends of the congregation.

LIBERAL QUANTITY OF L. & M. Paint given to churches whenever they paint. Don't pay \$1.50 a gallon for linseed oil. Buy oil from the barrel at 50 cents a gallon, and mix it with the L. & M. paint. It makes paint cost about \$1.20 per gallon. Call on P. A. & S. SMALL, York, Pa.

The five children of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Long, of Oxford township, who have been afflicted with diphtheria for several weeks, have all fully recovered.

Sheriff Basehoar on Saturday sold the 105 acre farm of W. H. Gelbach in Hamiltontown township, one mile from Fairfield, to J. U. Neely, of Fairfield, for \$3500.

The Secretary of War in his annual message to Congress has recommended an appropriation of \$75,000 for continuing the work on the Gettysburg National Park.

When New Oxford people—business men and citizens—learn the secret of success, this will be a much busier town and fewer people will spend their money away from home.

J. W. Garlacher, of Gettysburg, had one of his large black horses killed on Saturday. The animal had an abscess in his mouth which rendered him unfit for service.

Applications for liquor licenses will be heard on Friday, January 25th. Petitions must be filed no later than December 26th; objections must be filed no later than Tuesday, January 11th.

Mrs. Edgar J. Fink, of Hanover, slipped on the icy pavement in front of E. J. Geiselman's residence, in that place, Saturday afternoon, and fell, breaking her left arm near the wrist.

The next annual meeting of the Adams County School Directors Association will be held in the Court house, Gettysburg, on Saturday, January 14. The meeting will be called to order by the president, at 10:30 o'clock.

The Geiser Manufacturing Company, of Waynesboro, will pay eight per cent. as a cash dividend. The annual statement of the company shows net earnings of nearly \$159,000 in face of business depression and outlay for betterment.

Harry Hawthorn, of Hanover, while walking on the pavement in front of J. Wesley Myers' restaurant, in that place, Saturday evening stepped upon a banana skin and fell, breaking his left arm at the elbow.

A supplement to the newest ballot law is being prepared at the State Department at Harrisburg and will be submitted to the Legislature next month. The idea is to devise a ballot of such a kind that a voter in Presidential years can make no mistake.

A fine mule belonging to Mr. Emanuel Bollinger, residing on the Himes farm at the edge of town, was kicked on one of his hocks by a horse, a few nights ago, and injured to such an extent that it is feared the animal will have to be killed.

The parties who recently carried off a large amount of butter from the East Berlin creamery were traced to York where they sold the butter under price to a merchant. They were promptly arrested but it is said matters have been adjusted in a satisfactory manner to those concerned.

Enders Rice, of the Hanover Produce Company, son of Dr. George L. Rice, of McSherrystown, lost his equilibrium while passing the office of the Acme Extract Works, on East Chestnut street, Hanover, Saturday afternoon, and falling on the ice, broke the bones of his right wrist.

The controlling interest in the Hanover & Littlestown Turnpike Co. has been sold to the syndicate of York gentlemen who control the York County Traction Company. It is their intention, at the opening of the coming spring, to extend the York County trolley system to Littlestown.

Some twelve or fifteen tons of soft coal on a pile at the New Oxford creamery, have been smoldering away for the past two weeks, caused by spontaneous combustion. All efforts to stay the destruction proved of no avail, pouring on water seemed to only strengthen it. There was no blaze but simply smoke and the coal melting together.

George Jacobs, who a year ago bought the Thoman farm in Hamilton township, has sold the same to Charles Gable, of near York, at \$3950. Mr. Jacobs contemplates moving to York next Spring.

Harry Walters, of Abbottstown, who recently sold his home on Berlin street, that place, to Reuben Slothour, has purchased the property on York street, Abbottstown, of Lewis Moul.

Dec. 16, 1904.

The Postmaster, New Oxford, Pa.

Sir:—You are informed that the hour for closing the postoffice at New Oxford has been fixed for seven o'clock during the present schedule of the arrival and departure of mails. A schedule of the office hours should be posted.

Very Respectfully,
J. J. HOWLEY,
Act'g. First Asst. Postmaster General.

W. C. Sheely, Esq., as assignee, last Saturday sold the plant of the Gettysburg Manufacturing Company, makers of furniture. The buildings, machinery and lot, 200x400 feet, were sold to Hon. S. McC. Swope, John Kimple, D. M. Wolf and J. M. Warner, for \$4,100. Most of the large amount of lumber on hand was sold to the same parties, about \$1400 being realized.

Mrs. Samuel Walter, of Fairfield Station, while in Gettysburg on a shopping tour last Saturday, slipped on the iron crossing at the First National Bank corner, falling heavily on her elbow and striking her head against a telegraph pole, rendering her unconscious. Mrs. Walter was able to walk when she went home on the 6:28 train but she is still suffering from the effects of the fall, internal injuries being feared.

On Monday morning Rev. S. P. Mauger of Philadelphia street, learned that Mr. E. C. Livingston had an extra good Portland cutter for sale. He found the cutter just to be the article he was wanting, and asked a few hours time to give Mr. Livingston the decision as to whether he would take it. Members of the New Oxford congregation (of Reformed church), had been planning to make the Rev. gentleman a present of one at Christmas, now saw that their opportunity was at hand to do their work quickly, and they at once purchased the cutter from Mr. Livingston and informed the Rev. that the cutter was his and he need not concern himself any further. It was quite a surprise to the pastor, and very highly appreciated by himself and family.

Christmas Services.

There will be three Masses in the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Christmas morning: High Mass at 5:30 o'clock, followed immediately by a Low Mass, and a second High Mass at 9:30 o'clock.

The Christmas services will be held in the lecture room of the M. E. church on Christmas morning at 9 o'clock.

The program of services for Christmas day in the First Lutheran church, of this place, is as follows: Morning,—sunrise prayer meeting at 6 o'clock; Sunday school at 9 o'clock; preaching at 10 o'clock. Evening,—C. E. at 6 o'clock; annual Christmas services at 7 o'clock.

The Reformed congregation and Sunday school, of this place, will give their annual Christmas service on Christmas evening at 7 o'clock. "Hosanna to The King" is the title of the service selected for the evening, which contains special and beautiful music, interspersed with recitations admirably adapted for the anniversary of the birth of Jesus. The offering will be for Bethany Orphans' home. All the members of the congregation and Sunday school are expected to be present. Everybody welcome.

Aged Lady Injured by Fall.

Mrs. Mariah Barnitz, one of New Oxford's aged and most highly esteemed citizens, residing with the family of her son, Mr. Jas. W. Barnitz, on Hanover street, recently received a slight stroke of paralysis. Mrs. Barnitz was walking about in her room on the second story when stricken and fell to the floor in such a manner as to badly injure her right hip and leg. Although she is improving at this time, it is yet feared that the injury received to the hip will cause her to be a cripple for the balance of her life.

PERSONAL.

Miss Mabel Sheetz, a student at the Womens College, Frederick, arrived Saturday to spend the holiday vacation at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Sheetz. Dr. John W. Sheetz, a student at Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, will arrive this Friday to spend the holidays at the home of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Daniels, of Baltimore, will spend the holidays at the "Maples," near town.

Rev. F. Hesse, of Philadelphia, spent Monday night in town.

Mrs. Agnes Aumen, of York, is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Mary A. Smith, who is seriously ill at her home on Pitt street.

Mr. Wm. Heltzel, whose wife died recently in Baltimore, removed his household effects to the home of his mother, Mrs. Margaret Heltzel, on Philadelphia street, on Saturday. Mr. Heltzel, who is a conductor on the N. C. railroad, between Baltimore and Marysville, will spend about two weeks here. His two sons have been turned over to the care of his mother.

Arm Broken by Kick of Horse.

Mr. William Kuhn, son-in-law of Mr. Lewis Weaver, of Water street, who removed from this place to a farm near Bonneauville, last spring, was kicked by one of his horses on Tuesday, breaking both bones of his right arm, near the wrist joint. Dr. J. L. Sheetz adjusted the fracture, but it will be some time before Mr. Kuhn will be able to use the arm.

Death's Doings.

David A. Liggett, who resided on the Charles Donnelly place, in Union township, died on Thursday afternoon at about 3 o'clock from paralysis of the heart, aged 72 years, 4 months and 15 days.

Charles Bushman died at his home in Carlisle on Friday evening, after a lingering illness. The cause of his death was erysipelas. Mr. Bushman was a former resident of Gettysburg. For several years he was employed by the Philadelphia & Reading railroad, as a fireman on the passenger train between Gettysburg and Harrisburg. Later he resigned because of ill health and accepted a position as engineer at the electric light plant at Carlisle, where he has since made his home. He was aged about 41 years. Mr. Bushman is survived by his wife and six children, and a sister, Mrs. Nevin Raffensperger, of Gettysburg.

An infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Miller, of McSherrystown, died Thursday night, Dec. 14, aged four weeks.

Thursday evening about 9 o'clock, occurred the death of the oldest resident of East Berlin, Mrs. John Geiselman, who was in her ninetieth year. She spent most of her life in the town in which she died. Her husband preceded her to the other world about 10 years ago; since then she had been living with her son Lewis.

Hymenial.

Mr. William A. Cashman, residing on the Gitt farm at the cross pikes, and Mrs. Sadie Mauss, residing at the edge of town, along the York pike, were united in marriage before a large audience in the First Lutheran church, by Rev. Geo. N. Lauffer, at 6:45 o'clock Sunday evening. This is their second venture in the holy bonds of wedlock, Mr. Cashman having lost his first wife by death some years ago, and Mrs. Mauss' first husband having died last winter. May they live long and prosper.

Paul Eyster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Eyster, of near McSherrystown, and Miss Cora Slifer, were married Tuesday evening at the home of the bride, above Littlestown, by the Rev. E. E. Blint, of that place. They will reside in a modern cottage residence recently erected by the groom on the Gettysburg road, at the edge of McSherrystown.

Dec. 10, at the parsonage in East Berlin, by Rev. P. M. Spangler, Isaac A. Wilt, of Hampton, and Miss Flossie Raffensperger, of Bowlder.

At the bride's home, by Rev. H. B. Bender, James Garfield Slaybaugh, of Butler township, and Miss Eva May Emley, of Reading township.

A beautiful home wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Richardson, 2817, N. W., Washington, D. C., when their daughter, Miss Ida, became the wife of Rev. Stanley Bilheimer, of York Springs. The ceremony was performed by Dr. T. C. Bilheimer, of Gettysburg Seminary, father of the groom, and was witnessed by only the immediate friends of the two families. A reception followed the wedding and was attended by a large number of friends of both the bride and groom. The groom is the newly elected pastor of the York Springs Lutheran charge. The bride is a popular and well-known young lady of Washington.

Ambrose C. Staub, of Reading township, and Miss Evelena M. Haverstock, of East Berlin, were united in marriage last Sunday by Rev. W. F. Boyle, at Paradise Rectory, York county, near Abbottstown.

Miss Annie Garvin, of Baltimore, Md., and George C. Kuhn, of Panama, Florida, were married on Tuesday evening. The ceremony was performed at the parsonage of St. James Lutheran church, Gettysburg, by the Rev. J. A. Clutz, Mr. Kuhn was a former resident of Hanover but for several years has been located in Panama, where he is engaged as a letter carrier. They will make their home at Panama.

Harry W. Deardorff, son of J. Adam Deardorff, of Cashtown, and Miss Sarah E. Bucher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bucher, were married last Thursday at the home of the bride's parents at Seven Stars. Rev. D. T. Koser performed the ceremony.

Roswell H. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Miller, of Hanover, and Miss Loretta M. Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Martin, of McSherrystown, were quietly married at Manchester, Md., on Saturday, Dec. 17, by Rev. H. H. Flick, pastor of the Lutheran church.

The Redemptorist Fathers will conduct a Mission in St. Mary's Church, McSherrystown, beginning Monday evening, January 8.

Died From Lockjaw.

Harry C. Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace E. Young, of Midway, died at 12:30 a. m. Friday of lockjaw, aged 20 years. Mr. Young, who was an employee of the heel and innersole factory, in West Hanover, on December 8th had his left hand caught in a rolling machine while at work. The hand was severely lacerated, but the wounds under careful treatment, seemed to be healing nicely, when tetanus developed and caused his death.

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That learned men who surely should know best
Explain how myths crept in, and followers tales
confused the truth
I know but any way
There was a baby born in Bethlehem
Who lived and grew and loved and healed
and taught
And died but not to me
When Christmas comes I see him still arise,
The gentle, the compassionate, the wise,
Wiping Earth's tears away, stilling her strife,
Calling, 'My path is peace my
way is life!'

CHILDREN'S PARTIES

BY ANNA WENTWORTH SEARS.

O! yes! It was easy then to promise Martha anything. Who, indeed, can refuse to grant Martha what she chooses to ask when she lifts her eyes in that beseeching way? I am utterly incapable of using any judgment or foresight, for I am so entirely overcome with rapture at the thought of possessing her when she is in a beguiling mood—when her curls make particularly adorable little ringlets on her forehead, and her dimples, her eyes, everything about her is so generally overcoming—that I lose reason and yield, ignominiously, completely.

There was Bobby, too, bringing up a rear guard of persuasion, so there was no hope for me from the first. My son and daughter held the field.

"And we will have all the cousins on both sides," Martha dictated, "And all our friends, of course," was Bobby's finality.

"Please leave me some room in the house for a few fathers and mothers," I pleaded, beginning to realize what I had undertaken when I had said yes to their demand for a holiday house party of children. But who is a mother to a Bobby and Martha who would not take all the trouble that the mistress of ceremonies has to take in plan and execution for such an entertainment? What is better worth while than their gratitude and appreciation?

We began our preparations early in December, just after we had received the acceptances of the children who were to be with us for the holidays, including Christmas and New Year's days. Luckily our house is roomy and we have all outdoors for a playground. A house party presupposes a country home, and the more country the more fun, especially for children.

"We must have a place for our very own, where we can make all the fuss and noise we want," my tyrants exacted, so we turned one of the big verandas into a play room, inclosing it with glass at small expense. The sun poured in all day, but some stoves were there for additional heat. We put matting rugs on the floor, hung hammocks

and swinging seats in the corners, and had all the means possible for indoor fun—a ping-pong table, parlor croquet, darts, a bookcase of selected volumes, hobby horses, blocks, and all that we could find to make probably stormy days endurable. In this room every morning at 11 o'clock milk and biscuits were served all around, and every afternoon weak cocoa and cookies. The "between meals" were voted better than the regular functions.

Christmas Morning



and they made a break in the day's routine.

But, in passing, let me say, lest any one condemn me at the start as a person of small understanding, that never, at any time, rain or shine, were the "party" left long enough to their own devices to have unrestricted play develop into boisterousness, and boisterousness end in tears, as happens too often when there is no tactful guardian spirit hovering over a number of children to suggest at just the right moment a new channel of diversion and thought.

It was urged upon me to "think of things to do for every moment" of the party's stay, and I considered it wisdom to adopt the suggestion. With a gathering of a dozen or more persons under fifteen years of age formality holds no place, and quiet corners and

facilities for uninterrupted converse are not to be thought of. Active business only makes the hours fly happily with no dragging minutes.

"But how can we do things together with so many ages?" was Martha's first inkling that there might be a rift in her lute of joyful anticipation.

Bobby was not comforting. "And there must be just as many boy things to do as girl things," he insisted, vigorously. I surmised a "scrap" in prospect, and hastened to give vent to some of the schemes that I had brooded over in the small hours of the night. If the ideas put in practice were not all entirely original, they were so successful that I must urge them upon prospective givers of children's house parties, even at the risk of being considered uninventive. With small folk it is better not to attempt novelties that have not been more or less put to the test.

The outdoor games come first in importance. I think that the one voted the most fun was the hitching party. Into a big sleigh made warm and comfortable with buffalo robes and hot water bags and hot bricks we tucked the "twenty-twoentsies" with trusty John to drive and engineer everything—the steady horses and the route over unfrequented roads and around abrupt corners. He understood just when to slow up and when to quicken the pace. Attached to the sleigh was first a big sled, after that one smaller, and so on the long tail of sleds holding three and four occupants, some two girls and boys, every one taking turns at being on the coveted last sled of all, so likely to upset at the corners and spill the occupants into a snow drift.

It was most exciting to have to hold on for dear life and be whirled over the land, and when you fell off, having to get on again and never knowing just where you were going; no wonder it was thought a splendid afternoon's amusement!

Next in popularity was the paper hunt. The modus operandi was for a person with a good instinct for the requirements of the situation to go ahead, scattering in his wake bits of paper. The "pack" of children followed, running this way and that in search for the trail, more often off than on the right path, but called back to it before getting too far away by horn and voice. The one who arrived first at the goal at this particular race received as reward a veritable "brush," silver-handled and useful for removing dust.

At the goal we had improvised a "lean-to," and in front of it burned a

ladder and the sides being wound with wreaths of green, and to every rung were fastened bundles big and little, while the tree was laden with boxes of candy, strings of popcorn, tinsel, and packages. On to the low rungs of the ladder mounted the small ones to find their presents, the older children climbed higher to get their rightful belongings, and after the ladder was all denuded of its spoils the trees were stripped.—Harper's Bazar.

Yuletide Fun

IN BOSTON.

Mamma—"And that is the story of Santa Claus."

Emerson—"It seems to me, mamma, intrinsically improbable. How can he raise the vast sums necessary to defray his annual expenses?"

HARD LUCK.

Mrs. Grabberly—"My poor, dear, good little darling Freddie has been most outrageously defrauded."

Mrs. Lamberlie—"Why, how did it happen?"

Mrs. Grabberly—"For three whole months he exerted himself like a little major to attend four Sunday-schools, and he has just found out that only one of them is to have a Christmas tree."

GOOD THINGS, TOO!

The Christmas Tree—"It is strange that children are so green as to believe in the existence of a Santa Claus."

The Christmas Candle (sputtering)—"But they are not evergreen."

UNKIND.

Miss Komin—"What did your brother Georgie give you for Christmas, Lizzie?"

Little Lizzie—"Mamma says she is afraid he gave me the mumps."

QUAINT CHRISTMAS DECORATION.

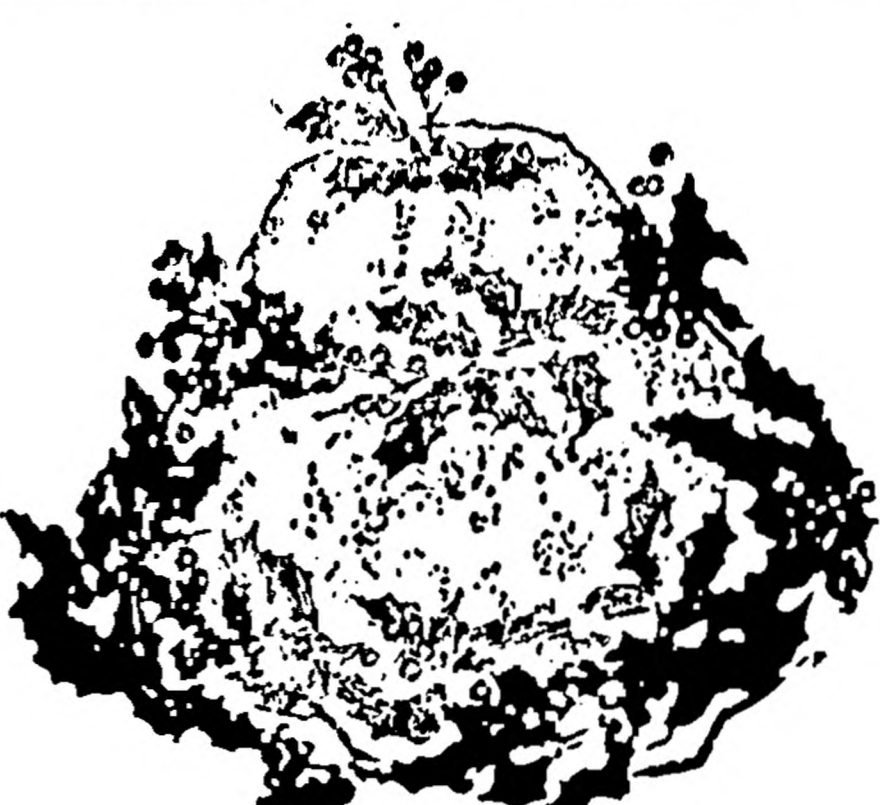
Here is a quaint idea in Christmas decoration, suggested by one of the English newspapers—the words of "The Mistletoe Bough," and two bars of the refrain, the words carried out in the mistletoe itself, while the notes of music are holly berries, fastened upon lengths of pale green ribbon, placed along each side of the table. At each end of the table is an arch of holly and mistletoe, lightened by the intro-



duction of white narcissus blooms. From arch to arch is festooned a garland of mistletoe, from which are suspended five bells, varying in size, and made entirely of blossoms of lily of the valley, so arranged that each bell appears semi-transparent and forms an ideal shade for the little electric globes contained within them. In the centre of the table is a cluster of narcissi and a few sprigs of holly, while here and there about the table is placed a sheaf of crackers.

HOLIDAY COOKERY.

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CHRISTMAS CAKE.

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I know they say

That this and that's in doubt, and, for the rest,
That learned men who surely should know best
Explain how myths crept in, and followers' tales
confused the truth

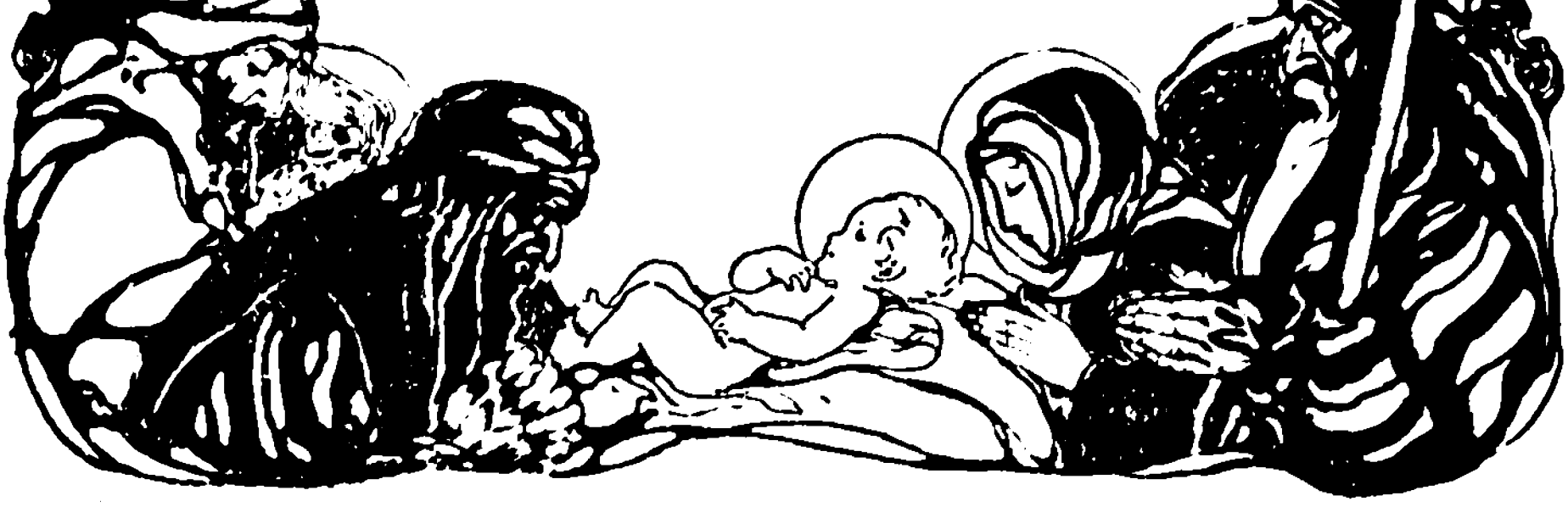
I know but in my way

There was a baby born in Bethlehem
Who lived and grew and loved and healed
and taught

And died but not to me

When Christmas comes I see him still arise,
The gentle, the compassionate, the wise,
Wiping Earth's tears away, stilling her strife.

Calling, 'My path is peace my
way is life'



CHILDREN'S PARTIES

BY ANNA WENTWORTH SEARS.

O yes! It was easy then to promise Martha anything. Who, indeed, can refuse to grant Martha what she chooses to ask when she lifts her eyes in that beseeching way? I am utterly incapable of using any judgment or foresight, for I am so entirely overcome with rapture at the thought of possessing her when she is in a beguiling mood—when her curls make particularly adorable little ringlets on her forehead, and her dimples, her eyes, everything about her is so generally overcoming—that I lose reason and yield, ignominiously, completely.

There was Bobby, too, bringing up a rear guard of persuasion, so there was no hope for me from the first. My son and daughter held the field.

"And we will have all the cousins on both sides," Martha dictated.

"And all our friends, of course," was Bobby's finality.

"Please leave me some room in the house for a few fathers and mothers," I pleaded, beginning to realize what I had undertaken when I had said yes to their demand for a holiday house party of children. But who is a mother to a Bobby and Martha who would not take all the trouble that the mistress of ceremonies has to take in plan and execution for such an entertainment? What is better worth while than their gratitude and appreciation?

We began our preparations early in December, just after we had received the acceptance of the children who were to be with us for the holidays, including Christmas and New Year's days. Luckily our house is roomy and we have all outdoors for a playground. A house party presupposes a country home, and the more country the more fun, especially for children.

"We must have a place for our very own, where we can make all the merriment and noise we want," my tyrants exacted, so we turned one of the big verandas into a play room, inclosing it with glass at small expense. The sun poured in all day, but some stoves were there for additional heat. We put matting rugs on the floor, hung hammocks

and swinging seats in the corners, and had all the means possible for indoor fun—a ping-pong table, parlor croquet, darts, a bookcase of selected volumes, hobby horses, blocks, and all that we could find to make probably stormy days endurable. In this room every morning at 11 o'clock milk and biscuits were served all around, and every afternoon weak cocoa and cookies. The "between meals" were voted better than the regular functions.

Christmas Morning



and they made a break in the day's routine.

But, in passing, let me say, lest any one condemn me at the start as a person of small understanding, that never, at any time, rain or shine, were the "party" left long enough to their own devices to have unrestricted play develop into boisterousness, and boisterousness end in tears, as happens too often when there is no tactful guardian spirit hovering over a number of children to suggest at just the right moment a new channel of diversion and thought.

It was urged upon me to "think of things to do for every moment" of the party's stay, and I considered it wisdom to adopt the suggestion. With a gathering of a dozen or more persons under fifteen years of age formality holds no place, and quiet corners and

facilities for uninterrupted converse are not to be thought of. Active business only makes the hours fly happily with no dragging minutes.

"But how can we do things together with so many ages?" was Martha's first inkling that there might be a rift in her lute of joyful anticipation.

Bobby was not comforting. "And there must be just as many boy things to do as girl things," he insisted, vigorously. I surmised a "scrap" in prospect, and hastened to give vent to some of the schemes that I had brooded over in the small hours of the night. If the ideas put in practice were not all entirely original, they were so successful that I must urge them upon prospective givers of children's house parties, even at the risk of being considered uninventive. With small folk it is better not to attempt novelties that have not been more or less put to the test.

The outdoor games come first in importance. I think that the one voted the most fun was the hitching party. Into a big sleigh made warm and comfortable with buffalo robes and hot water bags and hot bricks we tucked the "twenty-wenties" with trusty John to drive and engineer everything—the steady horses and the route over unfrequented roads and around abrupt corners. He understood just when to slow up and when to quicken the pace. Attached to the sleigh was first a big sled, after that one smaller, and so on the long tail of sleds holding three and four occupants, some two girls and boys, every one taking turns at being on the coveted last sled of all, so likely to upset at the corners and spill the occupants into a snow drift.

It was most exciting to have to hold on for dear life and be whirled over the land, and, when you fell off, having to get on again and never knowing just where you were going; no wonder it was thought a splendid afternoon's amusement!

Next in popularity was the paper hunt. The modus operandi was for a person with a good instinct for the requirements of the situation to go ahead, scattering in his wake bits of paper. The "pack" of children followed, running this way and that in search for the trail, more often off than on the right path, but called back to it before getting too far away by horn and voice. The one who arrived first at the goal at this particular race received as reward a veritable "brush," silver-handled and useful for removing dust.

At the goal we had improvised a "lean-to," and in front of it burned a

ladder and the sides being wound with wreaths of green, and to every rung were fastened bundles big and little, while the tree was laden with boxes of candy, strings of popcorn, tinsel, and packages. On to the low rungs of the ladder mounted the small ones to find their presents, the older children climbed higher to get their rightful belongings, and after the ladder was all denuded of its spoils the trees were stripped.—Harper's Bazar.

Yuletide Fun

IN BOSTON.

Mamma—"And that is the story of Santa Claus."

Emerson—"It seems to me, mamma, intrinsically improbable. How can he raise the vast sums necessary to defray his annual expenses?"

HARD LUCK.

Mrs. Grabberly—"My poor, dear, good little darling Freddie has been most outrageously defrauded."

Mrs. Lamberlie—"Why, how did it happen?"

Mrs. Grabberly—"For three whole months he exerted himself like a little major to attend four Sunday-schools, and he has just found out that only one of them is to have a Christmas tree."

GOOD THINGS, TOO!

The Christmas Tree—"It is strange that children are so green as to believe in the existence of a Santa Claus."

The Christmas Candle (sputtering-ly)—"But they are not evergreen."

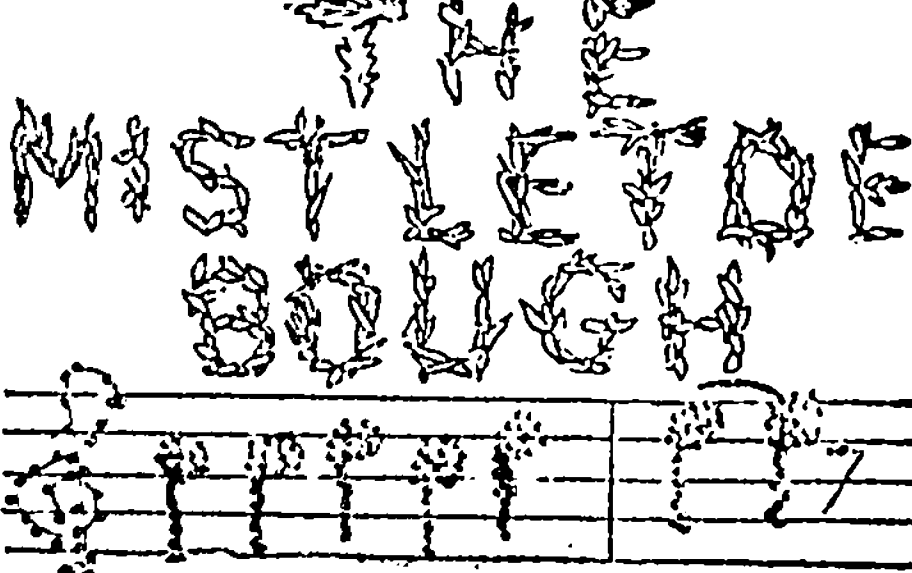
UNKIND.

Miss Komin—"What did your brother Georgie give you for Christmas, Lizzie?"

Little Lizzie—"Mamma says she is afraid he gave me the mumps."

QUAINT CHRISTMAS DECORATION.

Here is a quaint idea in Christmas decoration, suggested by one of the English newspapers—the words of "The Mistletoe Bough," and two bars of the refrain, the words carried out in the mistletoe itself, while the notes of music are holly berries, fastened upon lengths of pale green ribbon, placed along each side of the table. At each end of the table is an arch of holly and mistletoe, lightened by the intro-



duction of white hollyhocks blooms. From arch to arch is festooned a garland of mistletoe, from which are suspended five bells, varying in size, and made entirely of blossoms of lily of the valley, so arranged that each bell appears semi-transparent and forms an ideal shade for the little electric globes contained within them. In the centre of the table is a cluster of holly and a few sprigs of holly, while here and there about the table is placed a sheaf of crackers.

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OUR GIRLS AND BOYS

MY FISH.

Papa and I've been fishing;
And we had fun!
Papa caught a lot of fish,
And I caught one.

The biggest fish you ever saw
About so long!
You wouldn't pose a boy like me
Could be so strong!

May be it was scared of me—
I can't say—
But after it had looked at me,
It got away.

—Farm Journal.

BOATS WITH EYES.

In China, where so many hundreds of people live their entire lives on boats, there is a very strange idea that an eye must be painted on the bow of the boat that it may see its way through the water.

An Englishman traveling in China sat in the front of a small boat with his feet hanging over the painted eye. The owner became very much excited and begged the traveler not to cover the eye of the boat, as it must see its way.

When the first railroad was built through China the native workmen were anxious to paint an eye on the front of the locomotive. They thought it was not safe to allow such a fierce looking creature as an engine to run about blind.

BOOKS IN SERIES.

While it is certainly a pretty sight to see a long row of books in a neat and uniform binding, like soldiers on parade, there is a distinct loss of individuality. As you glance over your books upon their shelves, it is pleasant to recognize them from their outward dress. They keep themselves better in mind if each one is not exactly like its neighbors. You are even likely to forget what you have if you cannot know them from across the room.

We often go to the bookcase looking simply for "something to read," and then it is an advantage to know each book at first glance. Of course this does not apply so strongly to the works of a single author. These belong in a uniform, and you know what is among them.—From Books and Authors, in St. Nicholas.

A POETRY PARTY.

Girls often like to have suggestions for methods of making their meetings attractive—something besides the usual "talk and refreshments"—what some eminent man of letters in a waggish way described as "giggle, gabble, gobble and git."

A series of little meetings, each in celebration of some poet's birthday or other anniversary, would be an excuse for making interesting additions to the usual program. Thus there would be no great difficulty in arranging a Shakespeare party or a Milton party, in which quotations from the works of either poet were used in invitations, dinner cards, bills of fare and so on. Or an American poet might be chosen. Oliver Wendell Holmes would furnish lines of a cheering nature, fit for mild festivities; or you might introduce your guests to some of the beautiful poems of Celia Thaxter, or of Jean Ingelow, if you do not mind going outside of our own land.—From Books and Authors, in St. Nicholas.

A BEAR AND A COW.

Mr. Ernest Harold Baynes, the Woman's Home Companion naturalist, relates of the amusing doings of a black bear cub. He says:

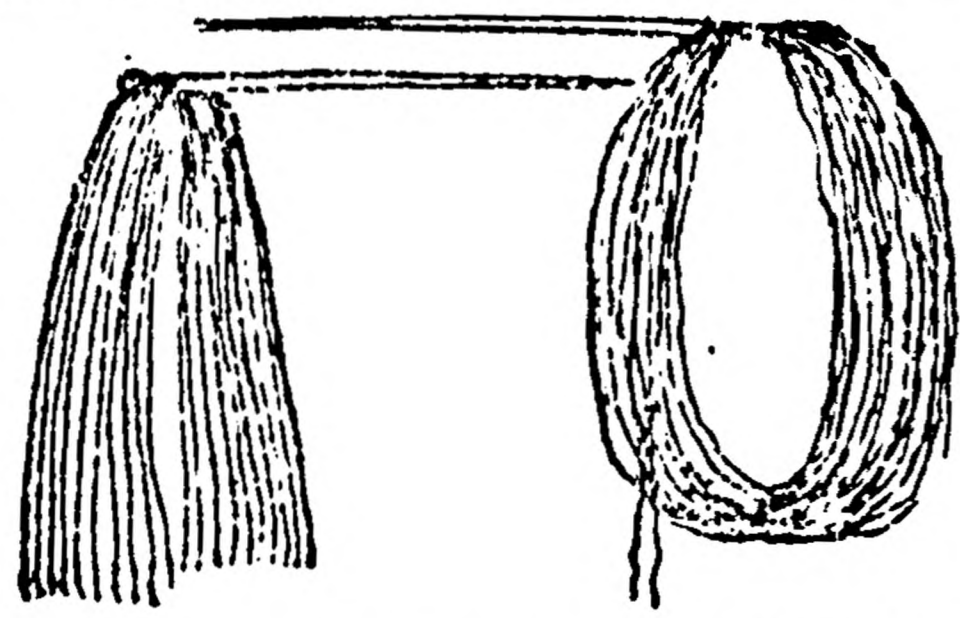
"Jimmy" had an interview with a cow the other day, and the result was amusing. The cow had a calf with her, so she was much bolder than usual. "Jimmy" didn't want her calf, but the cow didn't know that, and started after him with a strong suggestion of business in her eye. But "Jimmy" was not asleep, and before the horns came near enough to look dangerous he was safe in the crotch of a tree with a very impudent look on his naughty little face. Then with a growl, which might have been interpreted "Who's afraid," he came sliding down tall first, and went striding out to meet the cow like a pigmy to meet a giant. "Bossy" lowered her head and prepared for battle, but "Jimmy" fought according to rules of his own. As the cow came near the cub rose on his hind legs, and "squaring off" like a prize-fighter, he swung from the jaw with right and left in rapid succession, and landed twice. This trick astonished the cow, who stepped back in a hurry, and before she could recover "Jimmy," with what looked very much like a sneer, turned and bolted up the tree again. Finally I drove the cow away and we continued our walk."

A TRICK FOR GIRLS.

This is a trick for girls, though there is no reason why the boys should not do it, too, if the can. A little familiarity with needles and thread, by the way, can do a boy no harm and may be very useful to him.

The trick is most easily done with loosely woven thread and a coarse needle with a long eye. First thread the needle in the ordinary way with a thread two or three yards long. Draw the ends to the same length, untwist the threads a little about four inches from the needle and pass the point of the needle through both threads, as shown in figure 1.

Draw the needle, with its loop of threads, completely through both threads, as shown in figure 2, and



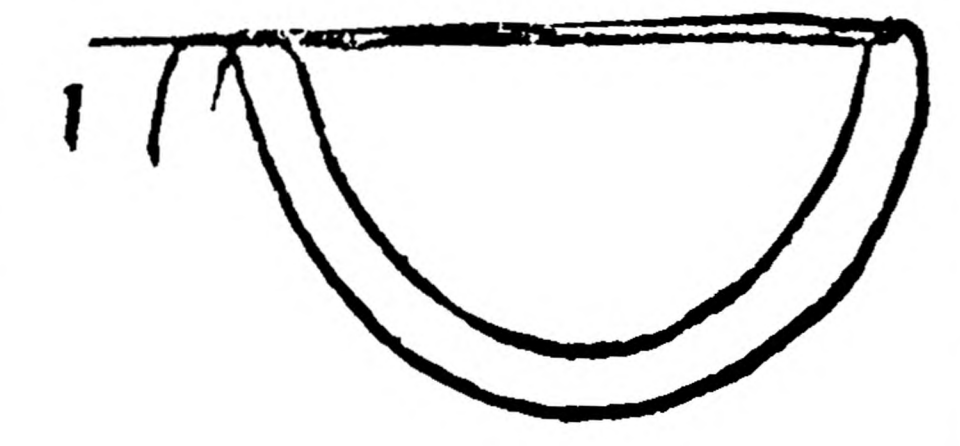
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keep on pulling until you have drawn the double thread out straight as it was at first. There will be two tiny knots where you have drawn the thread through itself, but they will be almost or quite invisible, so that the needle and thread will look like any other needle and thread. Now hold the needle, vertical with the point up, in the right hand. With the left finger and thumb pick up one of the threads between the needle and the invisible knots—that is to say, an inch or two from the eye of the needle—and pull it in the direction of the arrow in figure 3—that is, pull away from the needle until you bring the little invisible knots up to and through the eye of the needle. Now you have the needle threaded with three threads. Continue pulling all three, always in the same direction, until the little knots slip through the eye again and bring two or more threads with them. Go on in this way, gaining two threads at each passage of the knots, until the eye becomes too full to hold any more thread.

The threaded needle now has the appearance of the right-hand drawing. The left hand one shows it after the loops of thread have been cut at the bottom.

This is one of the tricks that are more easily done than described. You will be surprised to find how easy it is though if you did not know how to do it it would seem impossible.

But if you want to surprise people very much, indeed, just show them the threaded needle with the invisible knots, which you have prepared in secret and which they will take for



an ordinary threaded needle, and announce that you will put in the other twenty or more threads without seeing the needle. Then proceed as before, holding your hands under the table, or if you prefer allow yourself to be blindfolded. Of course, you must practice a little before attempting this in public.—New York Evening Mail.

Belgium's King.

The King of Belgium is quite democratic, and is opposed to fuss and ceremony. He not only does not wear a crown, but has not even a crown to wear! There are no coronation ceremonies; the sovereign merely inaugurates his reign by taking an oath to govern according to the laws.

A DOMESTIC RULER.

The President of France as Kitchen Maid to His Mother.

"The private secretary of President Loubet told me of one of his frequent visits to his mother," says Vance Thompson in Everybody's Magazine. "It was between two stormy sessions of the Chamber of Deputies. I suppose the destiny of France hung in the balance, for, in fact, the destiny of France always does hang in the balance. In the peaceful interval, Loubet slipped down to Marsanne and walked out to the farm. The good dame was in the huge, brick-floored kitchen, kneading bread for the fortnightly baking. She flung her doughy arms around his neck and kissed him.

"Really, mother," said the President, "you should give over this heavy work."

"And trust some slatternly maid!" cried the old dame, "no, no—but I must admit it is not so easy to me."

"Well, to-day you must trust me," her son said, "so sit down and fold your hands and talk to me."

"He took off his coat, rolled up his shirt-sleeves and kneaded the bread, while the good mother told him the news and gossip of the farm. This is the sort of thing that Emile Loubet would do quite naturally. Lincoln might have done it, too. Having kneaded the bread, Monsieur Loubet returned by special train to Paris and went on saving France."

WISE WORDS.

No one can do anything tomorrow.—Fable D. Babcock.

One of a young man's greatest errors is to mistake foolishness for courage.

It is not success, but obedience, that is the measure of a man's joy.—Rev. James Millar.

The brightest rewards lie not so much in royal conditions as in regal character.—Exchange.

Where all are selfish, the sage is no better than the fool, and only rather more dangerous.—Froude.

Skill to do comes by doing. Knowledge comes by eyes always open and working hands.—Emerson.

God would show Himself to us more often and more wonderfully if we would get eyes to see.—Christian Endeavor World.

It is thy duty oftentimes to do what thou wouldst not; thy duty, too, to leave undone what thou wouldst do.—Thomas A. Kempis.

God dwells in all things, and, felt in a man's heart, He is then to be felt in everything else. Only let there be God within us, and then everything outside us will become a Godlike help.—Euthanasia.

Exotic Evergreens.

When you compare the climates of Old and New England the wonder is, not that box hedge fails, but that any evergreen from England succeeds here. The only place in the United States that has a climate like that of England is the coast of Oregon, while the climate of New England is comparable to that of Manchuria and Korea, to which countries we should look for a broad leaved evergreen to displace box. The difference between the mean temperatures in January and July is only fifteen degrees in England, whereas it is forty-two in New York, and New England sometimes jumps from sixty degrees above to twenty degrees below inside of three days. The winter winds of England being the warm, moist air of the Gulf Stream, while ours are from the cold, dry interior of the continent, these winds dry out the foliage of broad leaved evergreens, and the roots being frozen, they cannot send sap to the leaves. Consequently, the foliage gets dingy or yellow. It is doubtful whether we shall ever have any really first-class broad leaved evergreens for such conditions. Practically all our northern evergreens have needle leaves, except the bayberry.—Country Life in America.

Polite Conductors in Berlin.

One of the beauties of life abroad is the kind attention lavished upon you by public servants. Take, for example, the street car conductors in Berlin. The cars do not pause at every corner, as with us, but make a run of three blocks without stopping. When the conductor sees passengers about to enter his car, he steps off, and, removing his cap respectfully, waits till all are seated, when he jumps on and gives the forward signal. With each collected fare he offers a ticket for the passenger to retain and exhibit on demand as evidence that the fare has been paid.—New York Press.

The Hopeful Young Man.

The hopefulness of some young men is unbounded. At a dinner table the other night some one said to a medical student:

"Don't you ever despair of building up a practice in medicine?"

"Indeed, no," he answered.

"But you will admit that the profession is already overcrowded?"

"Oh, perhaps it is," said the young man. And then with a laugh he added, "But I propose to graduate in medicine, just the same, and those who are already in the profession will have to take their chances."—Baltimore Sun.



Of Peking Silk.

A lovely dress by this master is a Peking silk in shot iridescent tints ranging from brown to orange tones. Around the bottom of the slightly gathered skirt are triangular pieces of plain brown silk covered with embroidered appliques recalling soft nuances of shot silk.

About Loose Coats.

The trouble with these loose coats is that the lines of the figure are apt to be neglected. In other words, the wearer is swamped in her own clothes. Redfern, says: "My specialty, is the line of the garment. I do not want to disguise a woman's figure, but always to see it through her dress."

Just Notice.

After frills come the bills. Nearly always a woman takes on weight in the wrong direction.

When there is no whisky in the decanter it is a sign that a man has just either sworn off or on.

When a woman is caught out in the rain with her best hat on it is a caution the way she can spank her child for getting its feet wet.

Babies' Booties.

The variety of booties seems inexhaustible. One cunning pair show a sandal effect. They are knitted in white with two rows of blue at the top and blue baby ribbon at the ankle. The sandal effect is accentuated by a knitted roll of blue applied at the sandal line. Long carriage booties are very useful, as they cover a part of baby's anatomy quite frequently overlooked. The feet and legs are knitted in the usual way, but a shaped knee is added, and the leg extended several inches above the knee. A ribbon run through near the top holds them in place.—Harper's Bazar.

A Tritoma Toque.

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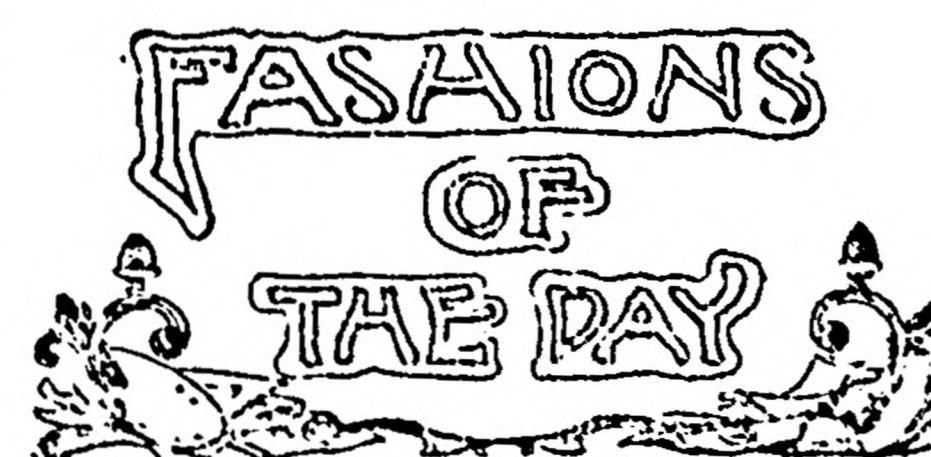
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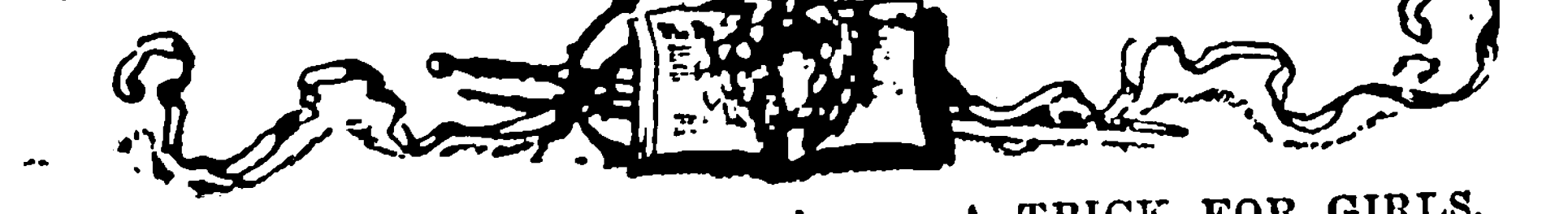
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And we had fun!
Papa caught a lot of fish,
And I caught one.

The biggest fish you ever saw
About so long!
You wouldn't pose a boy like me
Could be so strong!

May be it was scared of me—
I can't say—
But after it had looked at me,
It got away.

—Farm Journal.

BOATS WITH EYES.

In China, where so many hundreds of people live their entire lives on boats, there is a very strange idea that an eye must be painted on the bow of the boat that it may see its way through the water.

An Englishman traveling in China sat in the front of a small boat with his feet hanging over the painted eye. The owner became very much excited and begged the traveler not to cover the eye of the boat, as it must see its way.

When the first railroad was built through China the native workmen were anxious to paint an eye on the front of the locomotive. They thought it was not safe to allow such a fierce looking creature as an engine to run about blind.

BOOKS IN SERIES.

While it is certainly a pretty sight to see a long row of books in a neat and uniform binding, like soldiers on parade, there is a distinct loss of individuality. As you glance over your books upon their shelves, it is pleasant to recognize them from their outward dress. They keep themselves better in mind if each one is not exactly like its neighbors. You are even likely to forget what you have if you cannot know them from across the room.

We often go to the bookstore looking simply for "something to read," and then it is an advantage to know each book at first glance. Of course this does not apply so strongly to the works of a single author. These belong in a uniform, and you know what is among them.—From Books and Authors, in St. Nicholas.

A POETRY PARTY.

Girls often like to have suggestions for methods of making their meetings attractive—something besides the usual "talk and refreshments"—what some eminent man of letters in a waggish way described as "giggle, gabble, gobble and git."

A series of little meetings, each in celebration of some poet's birthday or other anniversary, would be an excuse for making interesting additions to the usual program. Thus there would be no great difficulty in arranging a Shakespeare party or a Milton party, in which quotations from the works of either poet were used in invitations, dinner cards, bills of fare and so on. Or an American poet might be chosen. Oliver Wendell Holmes would furnish lines of a cheering nature, fit for mild festivities; or you might introduce your guests to some of the beautiful poems of Celia Thaxter, or of Jean Ingelow, if you do not mind going outside of our own land.—From Books and Authors, in St. Nicholas.

A BEAR AND A COW.

Mr. Ernest Harold Baynes, the Woman's Home Companion naturalist, relates of the amusing doings of a black bear cub. He says:

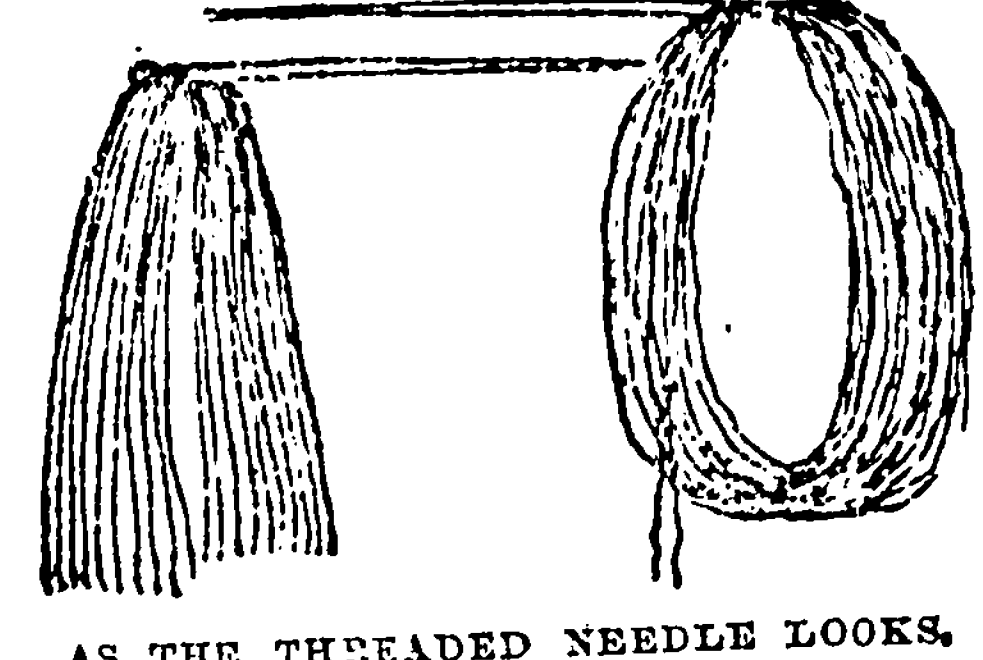
"Jimmy" had an interview with a cow the other day, and the result was amusing. The cow had a calf with her, so she was much bolder than usual. "Jimmy" didn't want her calf, but the cow didn't know that, and started after him with a strong suggestion of business in her eye. But "Jimmy" was not asleep, and before the horns came near enough to look dangerous he was safe in the crotch of a tree with a very impudent look on his naughty little face. Then with a growl, which might have been interpreted "Who's afraid," he came sliding down tail first, and went striding out to meet the cow like a pigmy to meet a giant. "Bossy" lowered her head and prepared for battle, but "Jimmy" fought according to rules of his own. As the cow came near the cub rose on his hind legs, and "squaring off" like a prize-fighter, he swung from the jaw with right and left in rapid succession, and landed twice. This trick astonished the cow, who stepped back in a hurry, and before she could recover "Jimmy," with what looked very much like a sneer, turned and bolted up the tree again. Finally I drove the cow away and we continued our walk."

A TRICK FOR GIRLS.

This is a trick for girls, though there is no reason why the boys should not do it, too, if the can. A little familiarity with needles and thread, by the way, can do a boy no harm and may be very useful to him.

The trick is most easily done with loosely woven thread and a coarse needle with a long eye. First thread the needle in the ordinary way with a thread two or three yards long. Draw the ends to the same length, untwist the threads a little about four inches from the needle and pass the point of the needle through both threads, as shown in figure 1.

Draw the needle, with its loop of threads, completely through both threads, as shown in figure 2, and



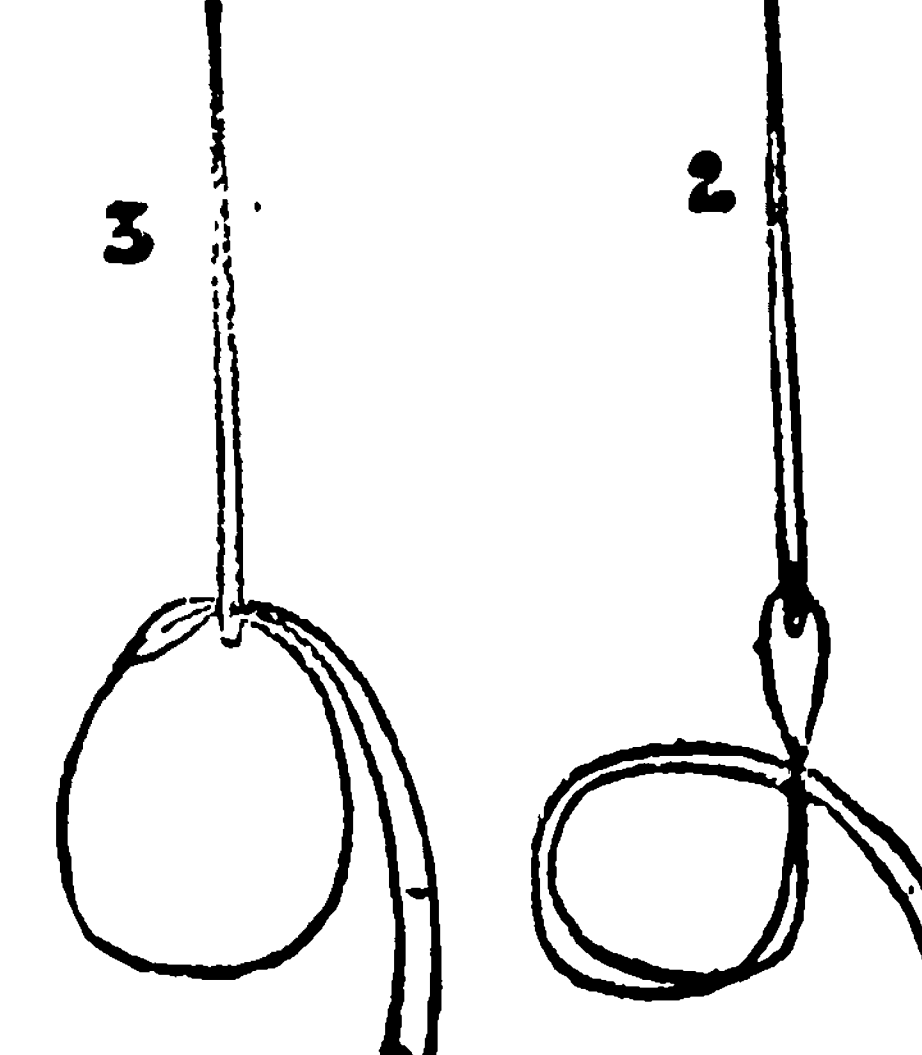
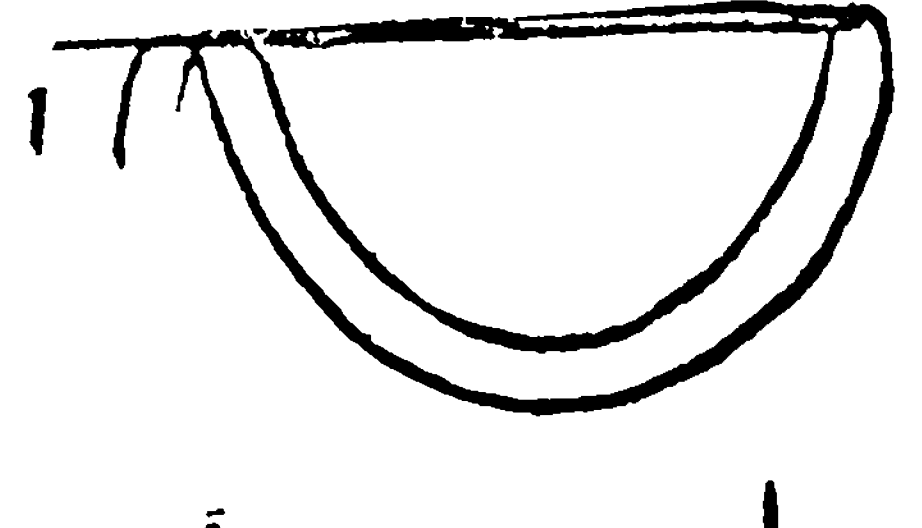
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keep on pulling until you have drawn the double thread out straight as it was at first. There will be two tiny knots where you have drawn the thread through itself, but they will be almost or quite invisible, so that the needle and thread will look like any other needle and thread. Now hold the needle, vertical with the point up, in the right hand. With the left finger and thumb pick up one of the threads between the needle and the invisible knots—that is to say, an inch or two from the eye of the needle—and pull it in the direction of the arrow in figure 3—that is, pull away from the needle until you bring the little invisible knots up to and through the eye of the needle. Now you have the needle threaded with three threads. Continue pulling all three, always in the same direction, until the little knots slip through the eye again and bring two or more threads with them. Go on in this way, gaining two threads at each passage of the knots, until the eye becomes too full to hold any more thread.

The threaded needle now has the appearance of the right-hand drawing. The left hand one shows it after the loops of thread have been cut at the bottom.

This is one of the tricks that are more easily done than described. You will be surprised to find how easy it is though if you did not know how to do it it would seem impossible.

But if you want to surprise people very much, indeed, just show them the threaded needle with the invisible knots, which you have prepared in secret and which they will take for



an ordinary threaded needle, and announce that you will put in the other twenty or more threads without seeing the needle. Then proceed as before, holding your hands under the table, or if you prefer allow yourself to be blindfolded. Of course, you must practice a little before attempting this in public.—New York Evening Mail.

Belgium's King.

The King of Belgium is quite democratic, and is opposed to fuss and ceremony. He not only does not wear a crown, but has not even a crown to wear! There are no coronation ceremonies; the sovereign merely inaugurates his reign by taking an oath to govern according to the laws.

A DOMESTIC RULER.

The President of France as Kitchen Maid to His Mother.

"The private secretary of President Loubet told me of one of his frequent visits to his mother," says Vance Thompson in Everybody's Magazine. "It was between two stormy sessions of the Chamber of Deputies. I suppose the destiny of France hung in the balance, for, in fact, the destiny of France always does hang in the balance. In the peaceful interval, Loubet slipped down to Marsanne and walked out to the farm. The good dame was in the huge, brick-floored kitchen, kneading bread for the fortnightly baking. She flung her doughy arms around his neck and kissed him. 'Really, mother,' said the President, 'you should give over this heavy work.'"

"And trust some slatternly maid!" cried the old dame, "no, no—but I must admit it is not so easy to me."

"Well, to-day you must trust me," her son said, "so sit down and fold your hands and talk to me."

"He took off his coat, rolled up his shirt-sleeves and kneaded the bread, while the good mother told him the news and gossip of the farm. This is the sort of thing that Emile Loubet would do quite naturally. Lincoln might have done it, too. Having kneaded the bread, Monsieur Loubet returned by special train to Paris and went on saving France."

WISE WORDS.

No one can do anything tomorrow.—Fable D. Babcock.

One of a young man's greatest errors is to mistake foolishness for courage.

It is not success, but obedience, that is the measure of a man's joy.—Rev. James Millar.

The brightest rewards lie not so much in royal conditions as in regal character.—Exchange.

Where all are selfish, the sage is no better than the fool, and only rather more dangerous.—Froude.

Skill to do comes by doing, knowledge comes by eyes always open and working hands.—Emerson.

God would show Himself to us more often and more wonderfully if we would get eyes to see.—Christian Endeavor World.

It is thy duty oftentimes to do what thou wouldst not; thy duty, too, to leave undone what thou wouldst do.—Thomas A. Kempis.

God dwells in all things, and, felt in a man's heart, He is then to be felt in everything else. Only let there be God within us, and then everything outside us will become a Godlike help.—Euthanasia.

Exotic Evergreens.

When you compare the climates of Old and New England the wonder is, not that box hedge fails, but that any evergreen from England succeeds here. The only place in the United States that has a climate like that of England is the coast of Oregon, while the climate of New England is comparable to that of Manchuria and Korea, to which countries we should look for a broad leaved evergreen to displace box. The difference between the mean temperatures in January and July is only fifteen degrees in England, whereas it is forty-two in New York, and New England sometimes jumps from sixty degrees above to twenty degrees below inside of three days. The winter winds of England being the warm, moist air of the Gulf Stream, while ours are from the cold, dry interior of the continent, these winds dry out the foliage of broad leaved evergreens, and, the roots being frozen, they cannot send sap to the leaves. Consequently, the foliage gets dingy or yellow. It is doubtful whether we shall ever have any really first-class broad leaved evergreens for such conditions. Practically all our northern evergreens have needle leaves, except the bayberry.—Country Life in America.

Polite Conductors in Berlin.

One of the beauties of life abroad is the kind attention lavished upon you by public servants. Take, for example, the street car conductors in Berlin. The cars do not pause at every corner, as with us, but make a run of three blocks without stopping. When the conductor sees passengers about to enter his car, he steps off, and, removing his cap respectfully, waits till all are seated, when he jumps on and gives the forward signal. With each collected fare he offers a ticket for the passenger to retain and exhibit on demand as evidence that the fare has been paid.—New York Press.

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The hopefulness of some young men is unbounded. At a dinner table the other night some one said to a medical student:

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"Indeed, no," he answered.

"But you will admit that the profession is already overcrowded?"

"Oh, perhaps it is," said the young man. And then with a laugh he added, "But I propose to graduate in medicine, just the same, and those who are already in the profession will have to take their chances."—Baltimore Sun.



Of Pekin Silk.

A lovely dress by this master is a Pekin silk in shot iridescent tints ranging from brown to orange tones. Around the bottom of the slightly gathered skirt are triangular pieces of plain brown silk covered with embroidered appliques recalling soft nuances of shot silk.

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Just Notice.

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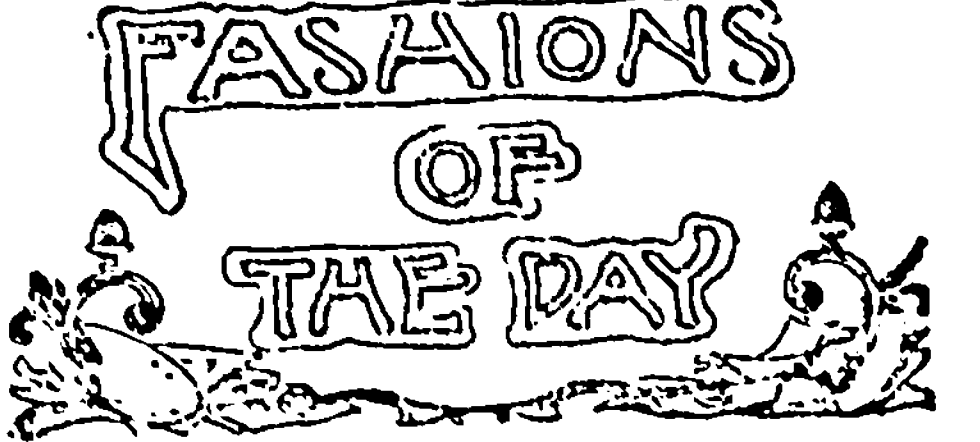
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Our ice men are busily engaged filling their ice houses with nice clear ice about 8 inches thick.

The good sleighing is being enjoyed by almost everybody at present. S.

Christmas Presents.

Mr. A. S. Feiser, the energetic furniture dealer, has many articles in his establishment on Philadelphia street, that would make very acceptable and lasting presents, such as rockers, couches, white iron bedsteads, lounges, chamber suits, parlor suits, writing desks, stands, buffets, springs and mattresses, etc. Mr. Feiser will sell you goods as cheap as can be bought anywhere. His stock is large and complete, call and look it over.

Mr. and Mrs. Sampson Kepner and daughter Mellie, and Mrs. Wm. Winand and daughters Laura and Ella, visited Mrs. Susanna Staub, at Oakdale.

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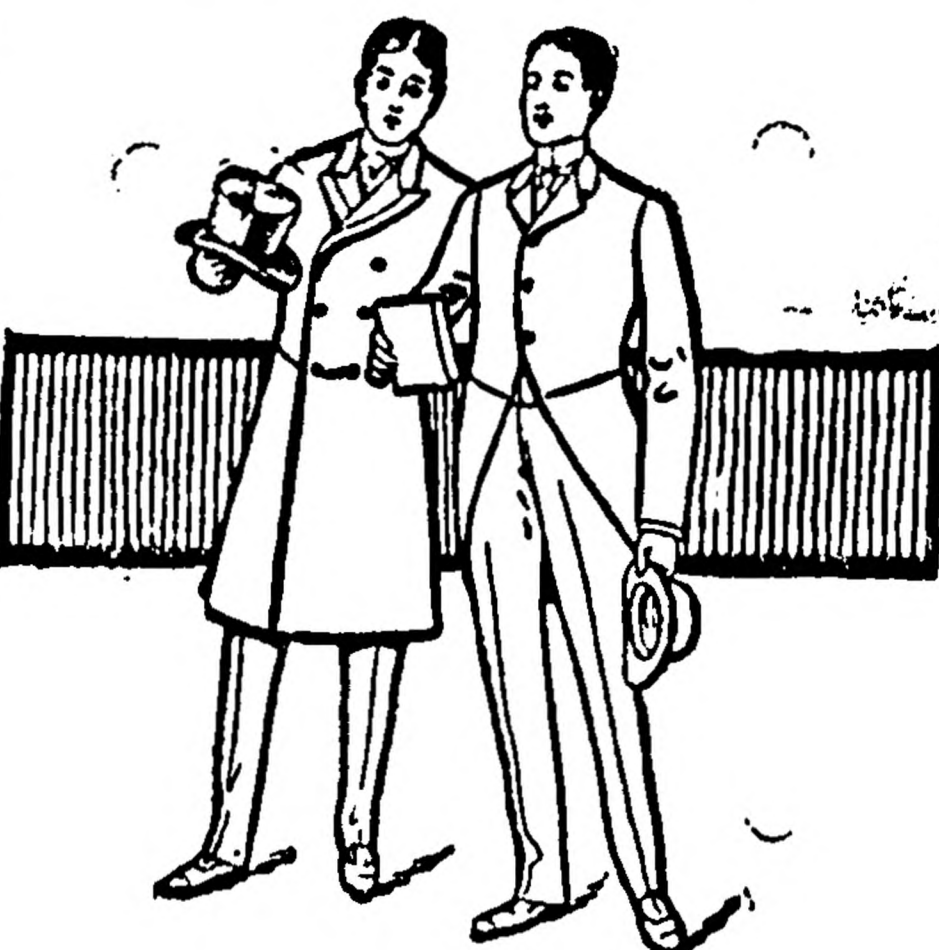
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The program rendered by the Abbottstown Literary Society last Friday evening was appropriate to the X mas season. Exercises by the school children and a ludicrous address by Santa Claus were the most interesting features. Next meeting Dec. 30, at 7 o'clock p. m.

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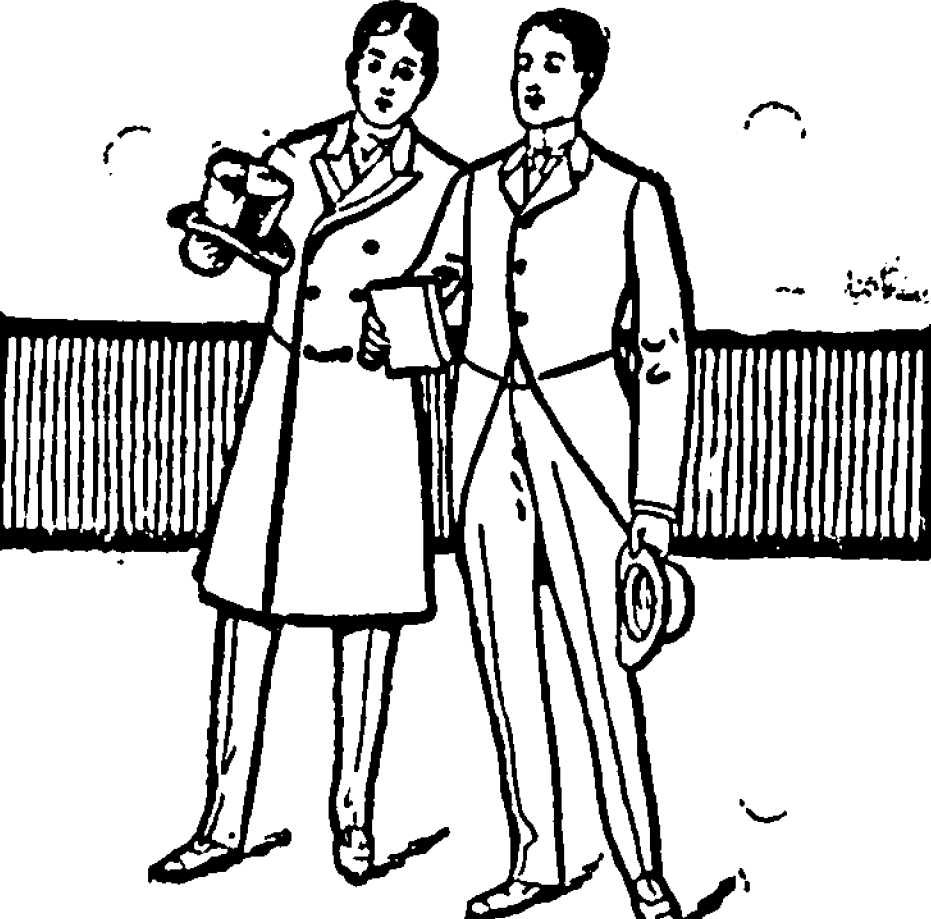
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